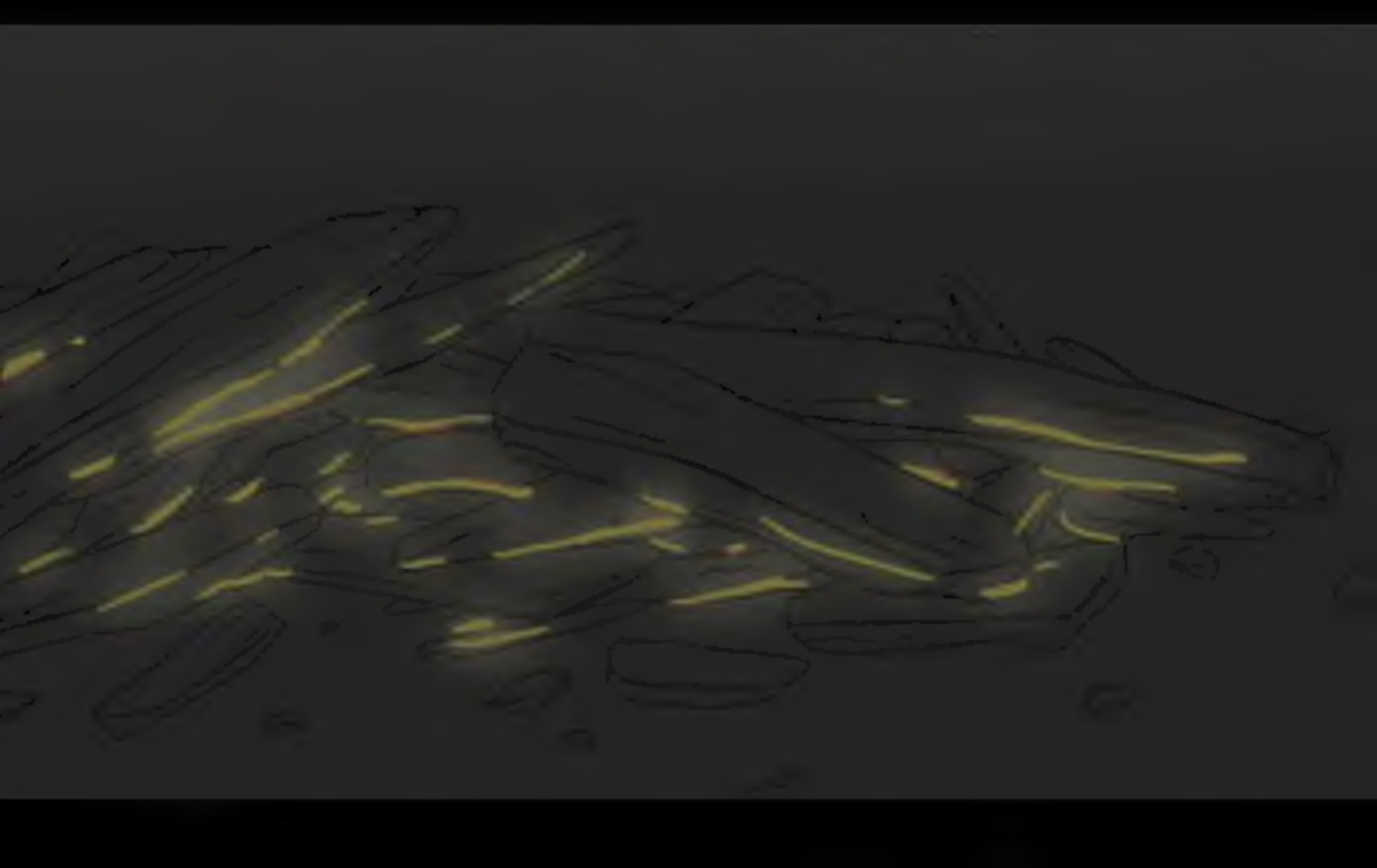
HUH?

I LONGED TO BE ONE OF THEM.

SO I REALLY WANTED TO BE LIKE THEM.

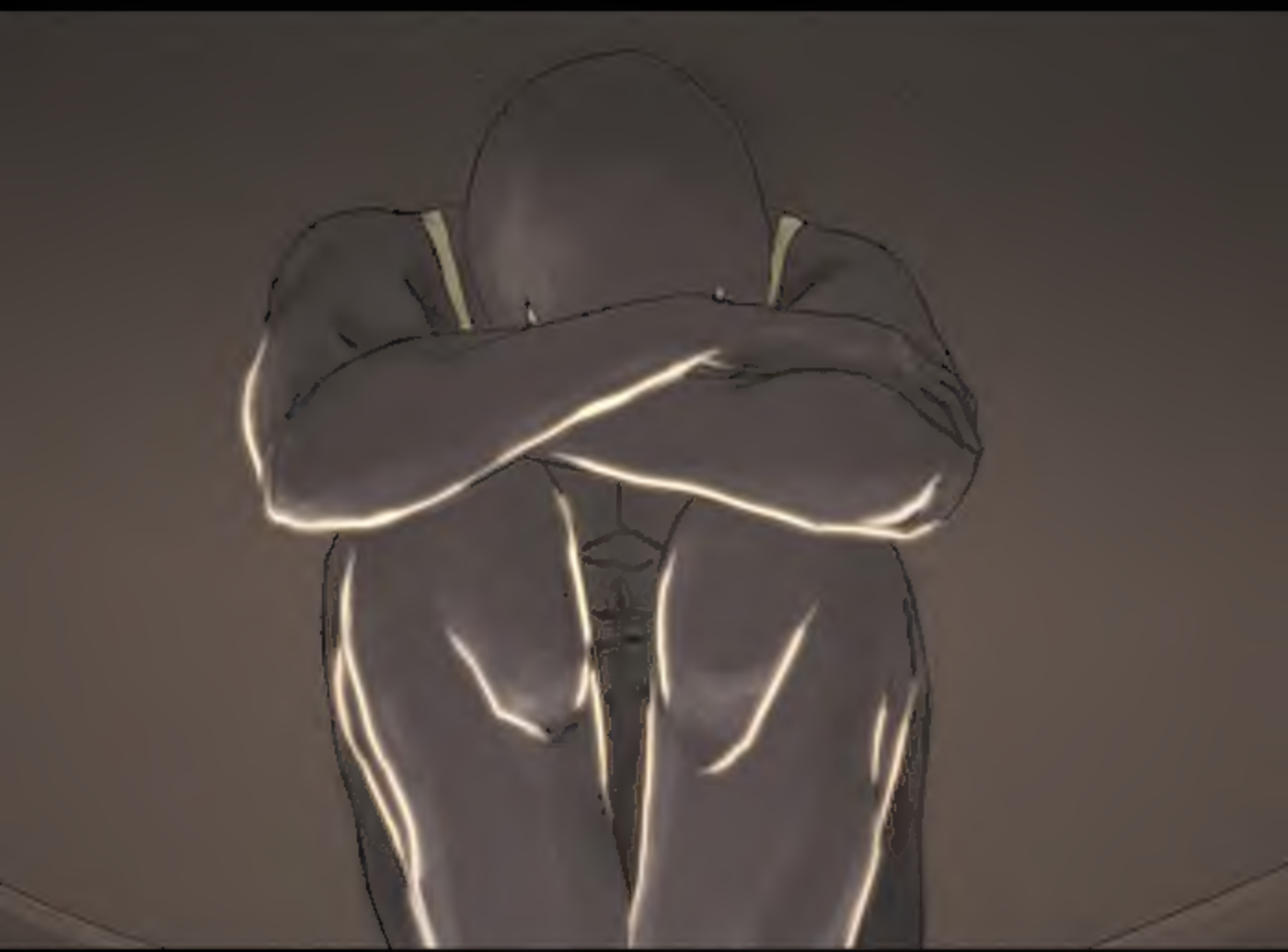


DO YOU REALLY... WANT TO BE SO DIFFERENT FROM OTHER PEOPLE?

WHEW-

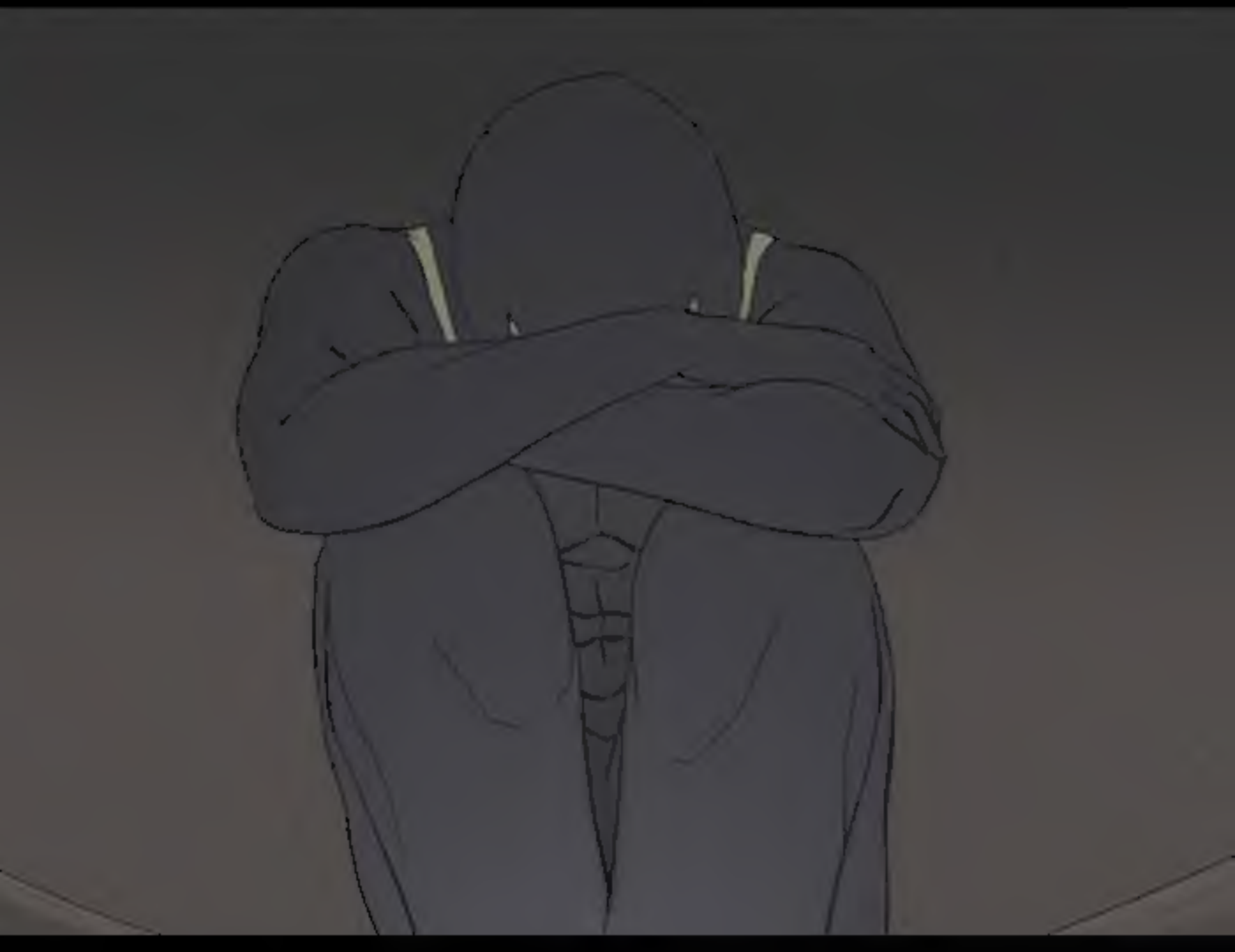
REGENE!
WE'VE GOT TWO
RUNNERS!!

KOONG



BUT AFTER DEATH,

THEY'RE JUST A PILE OF ASHES.



BUT WITHOUT ANY SKILLS OF MY OWN

THIS BLIND LONGING OF MINE

AFTER WANDERING AIMLESSLY FOR A WHILE

FINALLY, THE TIME HAD COME

WHEN I COULD DISPLAY MY COURAGE
AND GREATNESS TO EVERYONE.

ALLOW?
CLENCH-
YOU FAILED TO WARN US ABOUT THE HIDDEN ENEMY AND THEIR NEW WEAPON.

BOTH OF THEM?

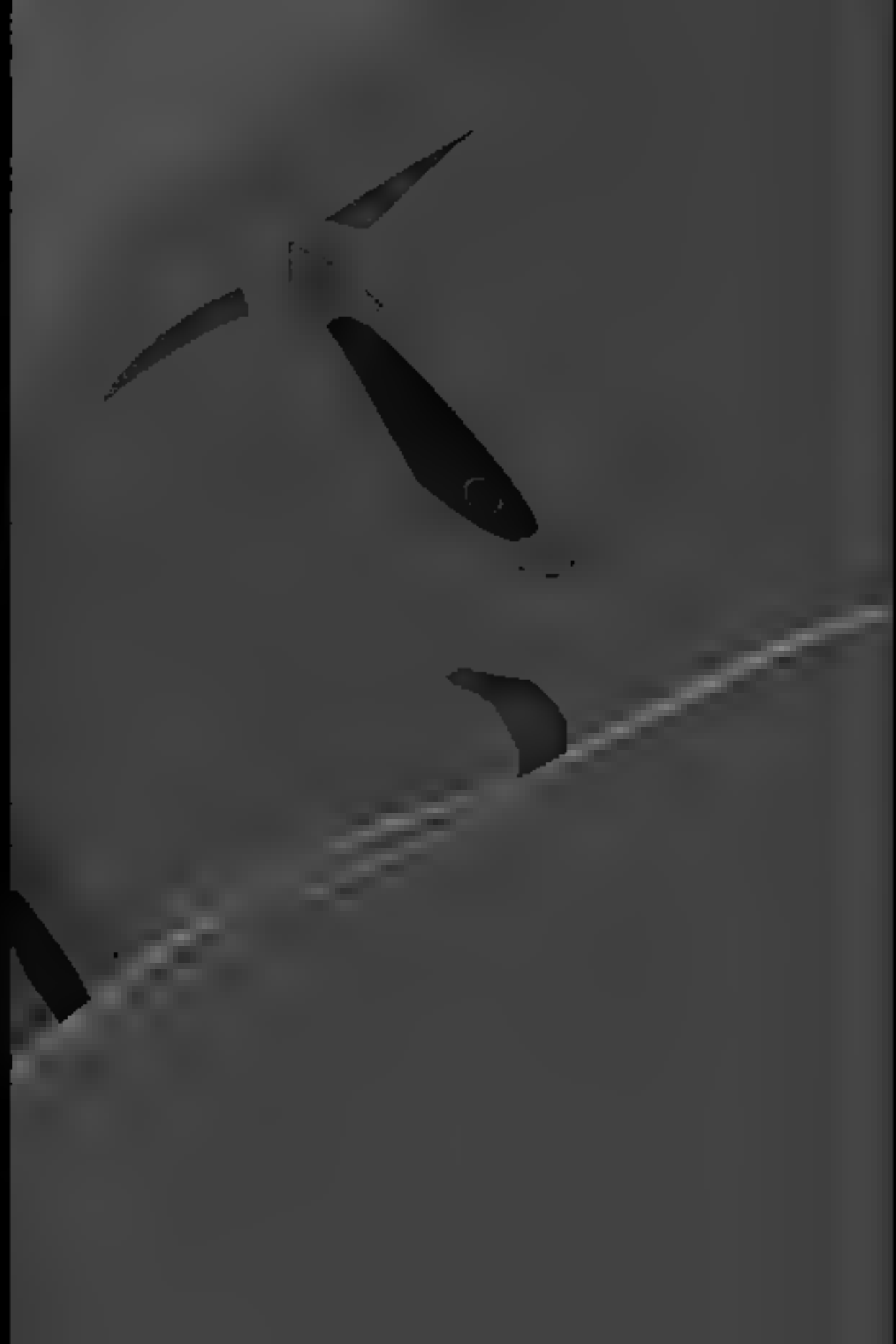
SORRY?
NO, YOU WON'T CHANGE. YOUR CARELESSNESS MAY HAVE ONLY GOTTEN ONE OF US KILLED TODAY, BUT WHO KNOWS WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN NEXT TIME.

WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO TELL YOU WHY?
BECAUSE
NO MATTER HOW BADLY SLICED
AND HACKED UP YOU GET,
YOU CAN JUST REGENERATE!
YOU COMPLETELY
LACK ANY FEAR OF DEATH!!!

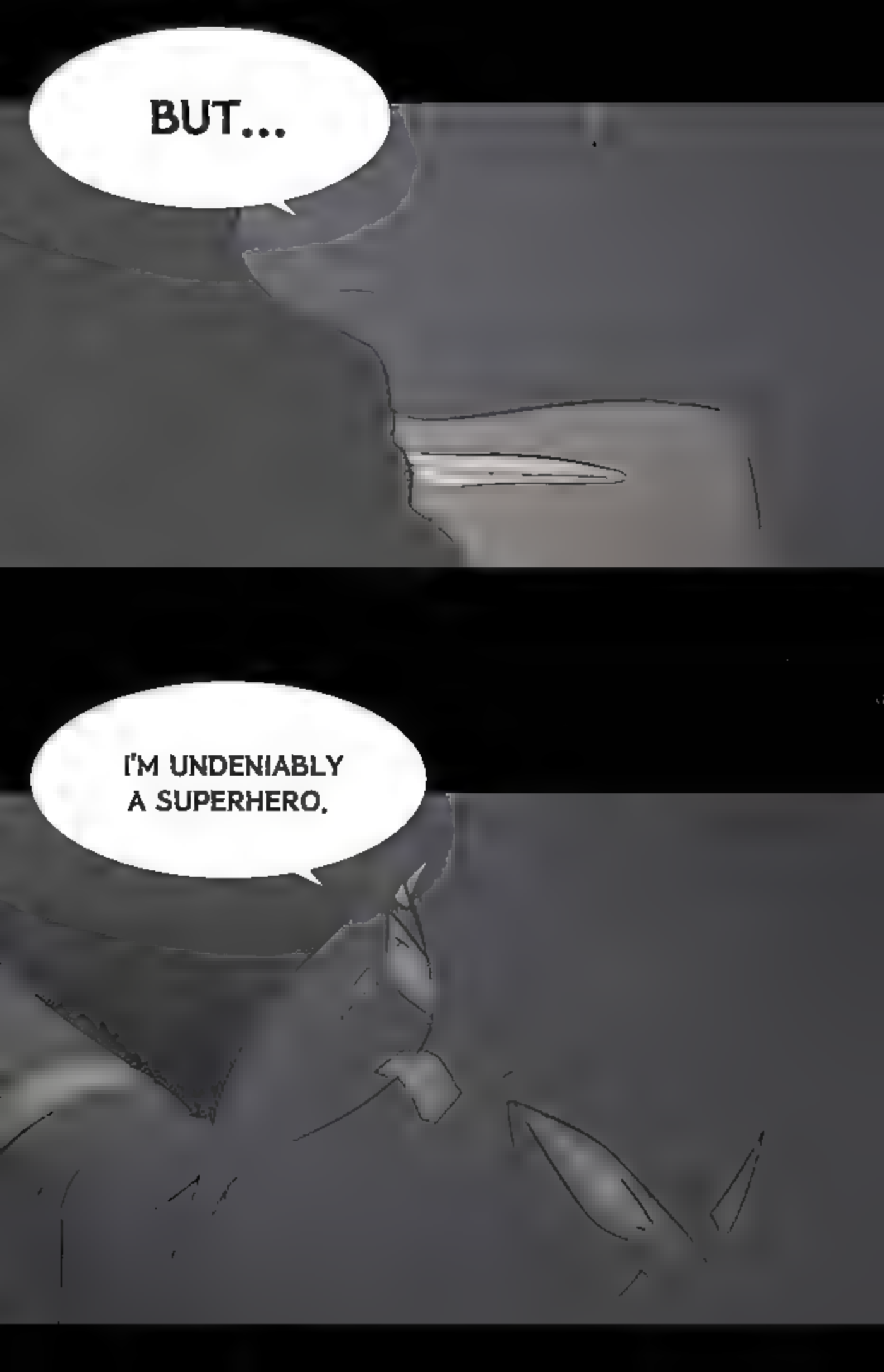
SHHHK

BUT

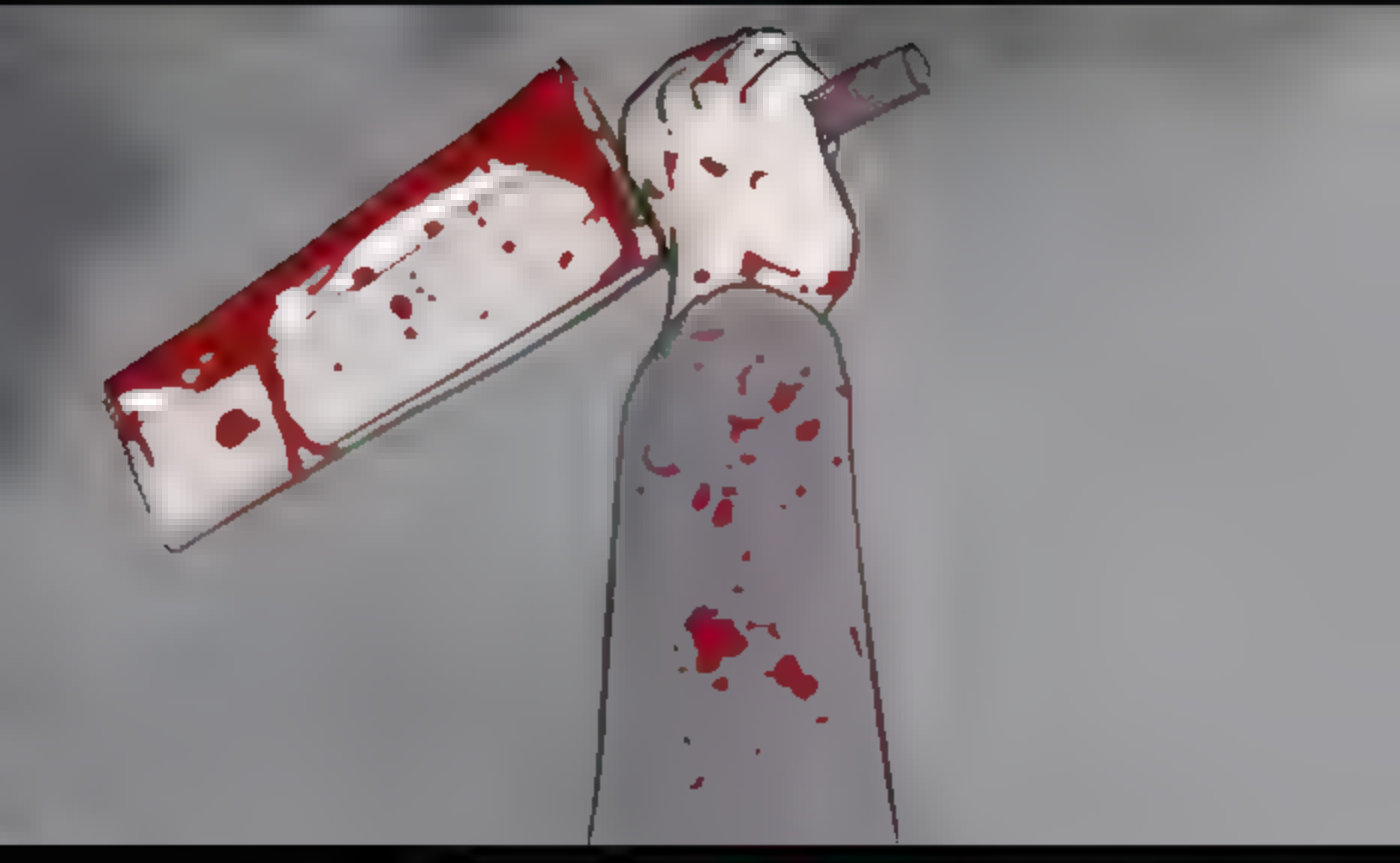
RATHER THAN BEING SOME KIND OF
ACTION MOVIE STAR OR SAVIOUR OF HUMANITY



HOWEVER...


BUT...
I'M UNDENIABLY A SUPERHERO.

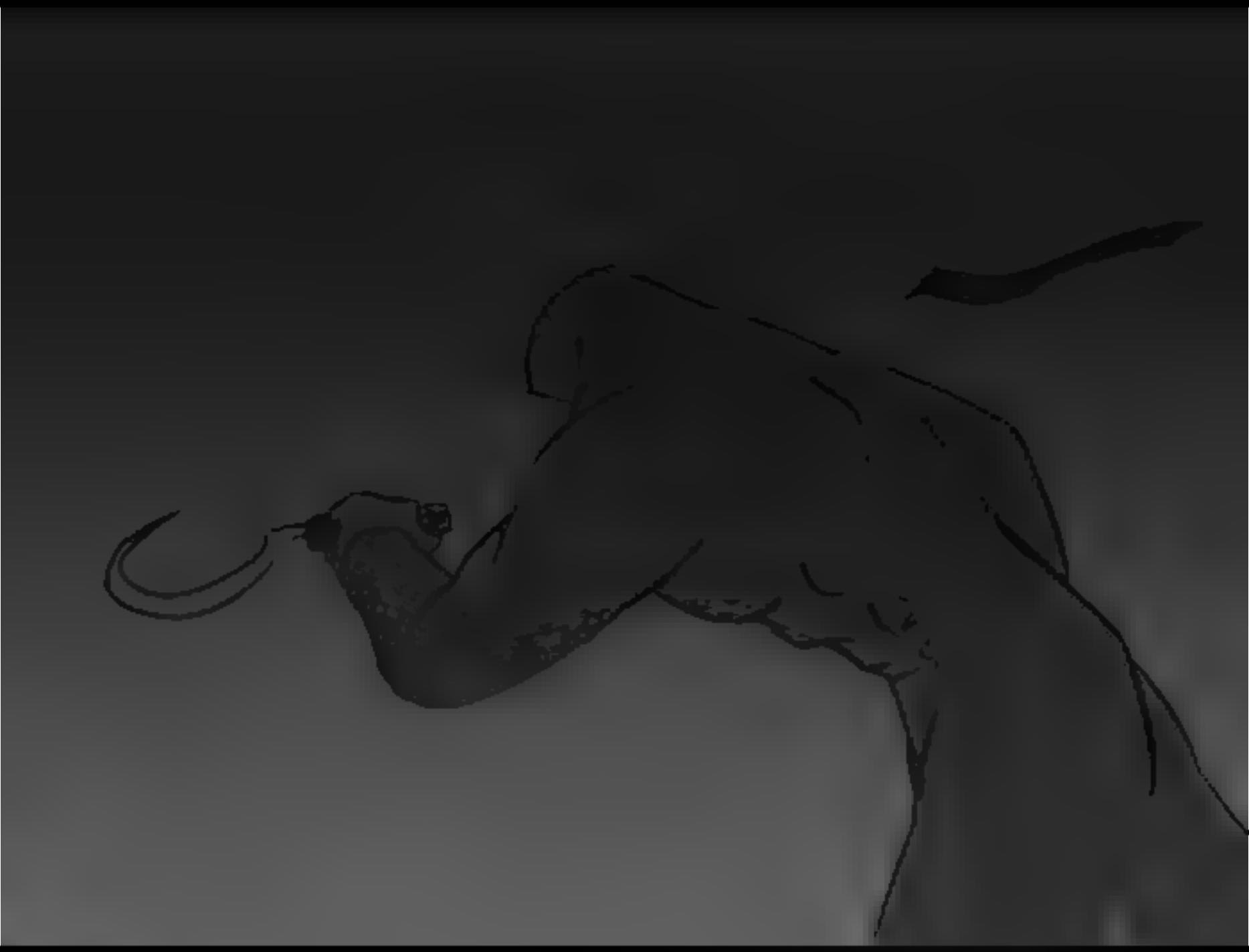
I'VE GOT TO KEEP GOING,
NO MATTER HOW PAINFUL
OR AGONIZING IT IS.



BECAUSE

I AM

ALRIGHT....
I'LL ACCEPT... AN HONOURABLE DISCHARGE...



AS A SEMI-VETERAN MYSELF,

I PARTICIPATED IN EVERY SINGLE OPERATION

IN SPITE OF THE SENIOR OFFICERS' DISSUASION.

FRIDAY
FORBIDDEN TALES
禁曜日

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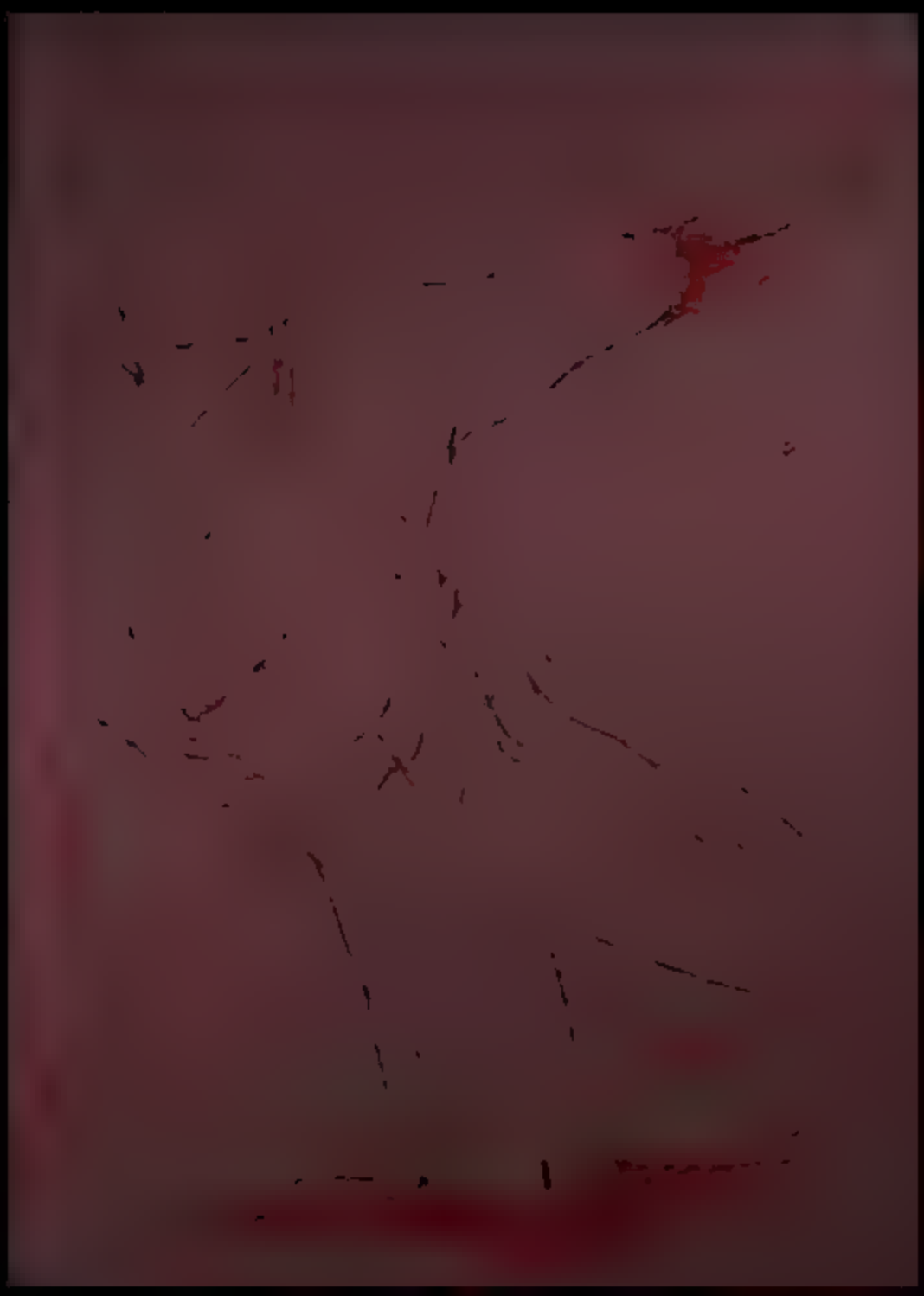
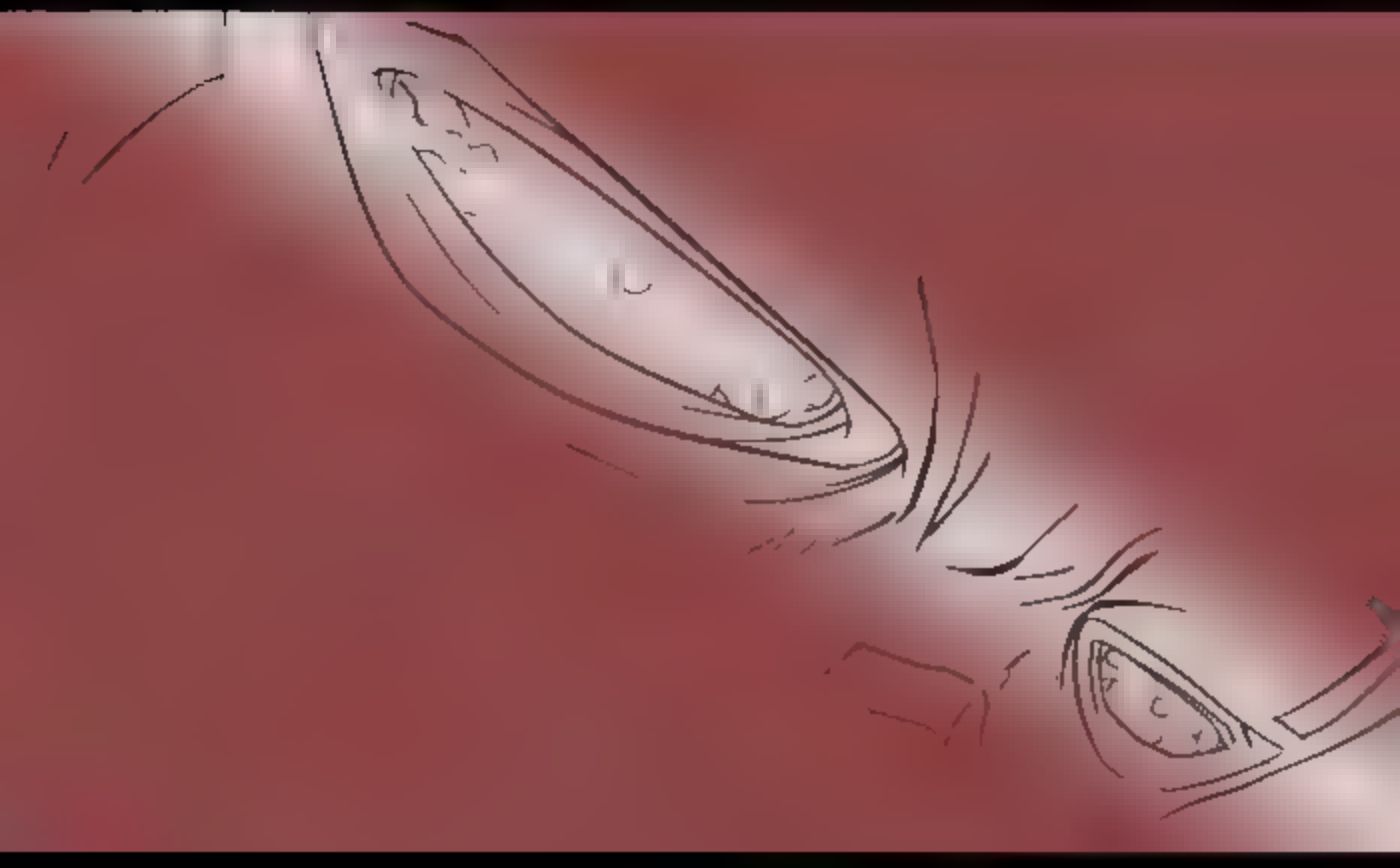
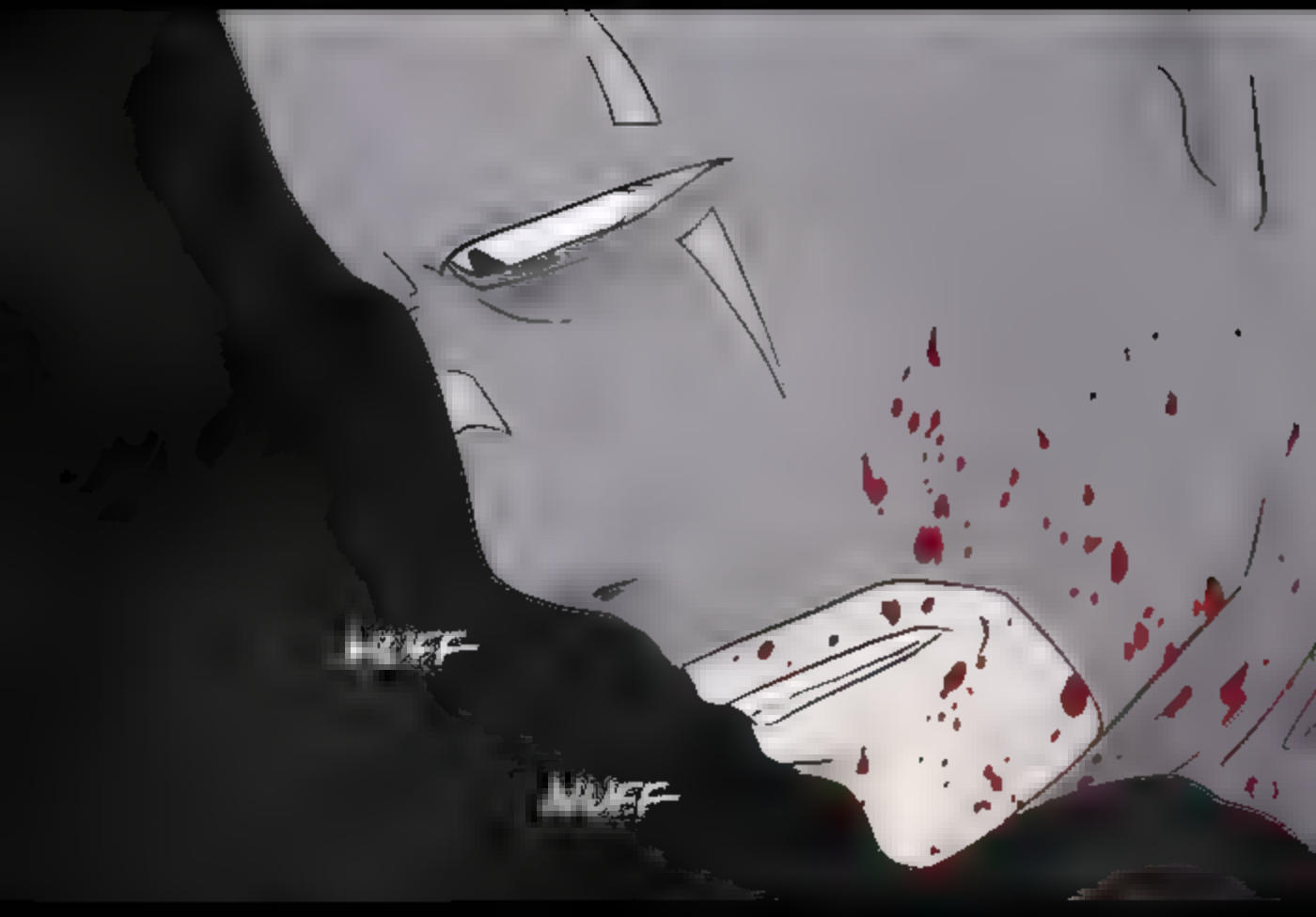


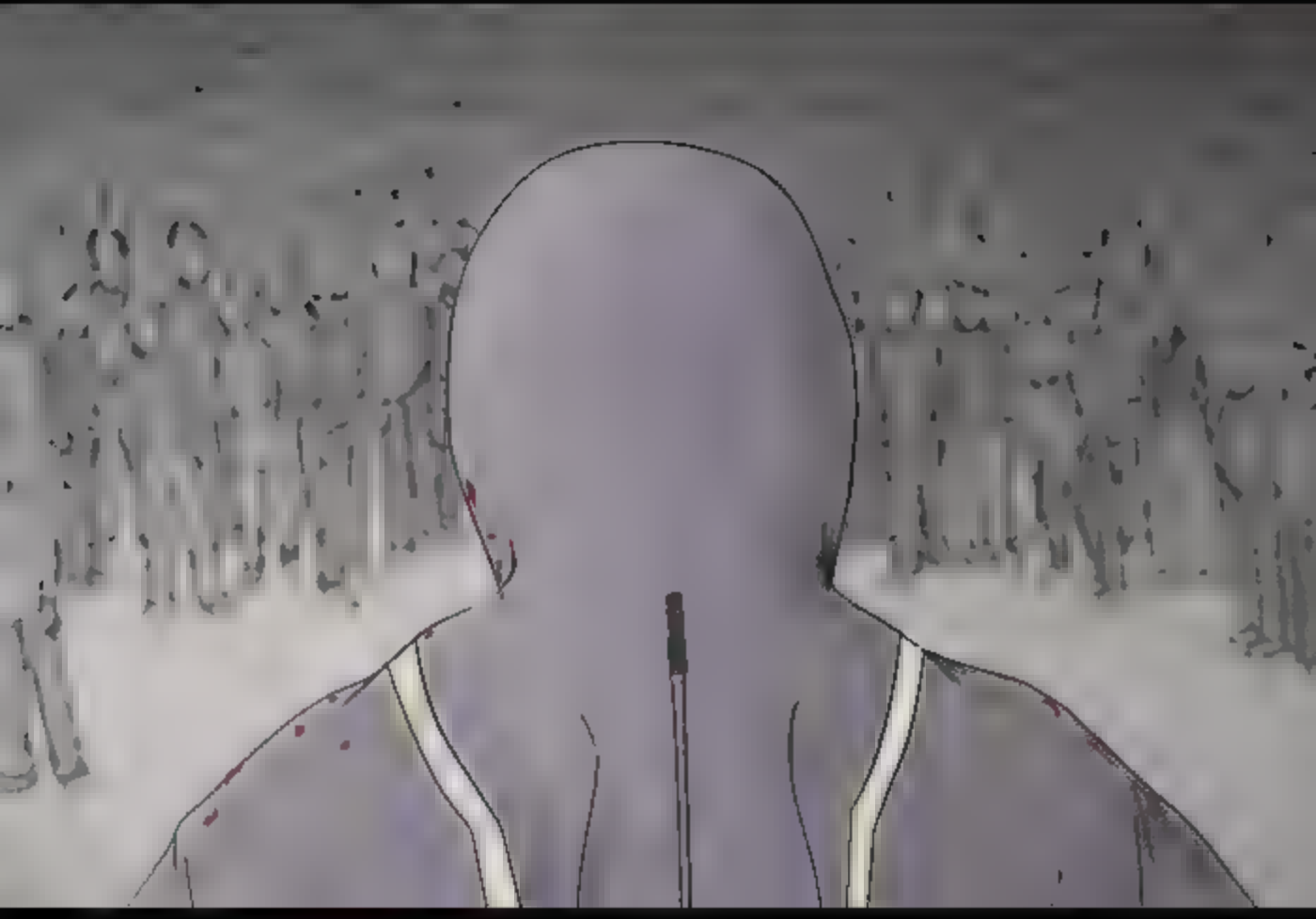
THUD-
A NEW WEAPON?



.....SORRY.



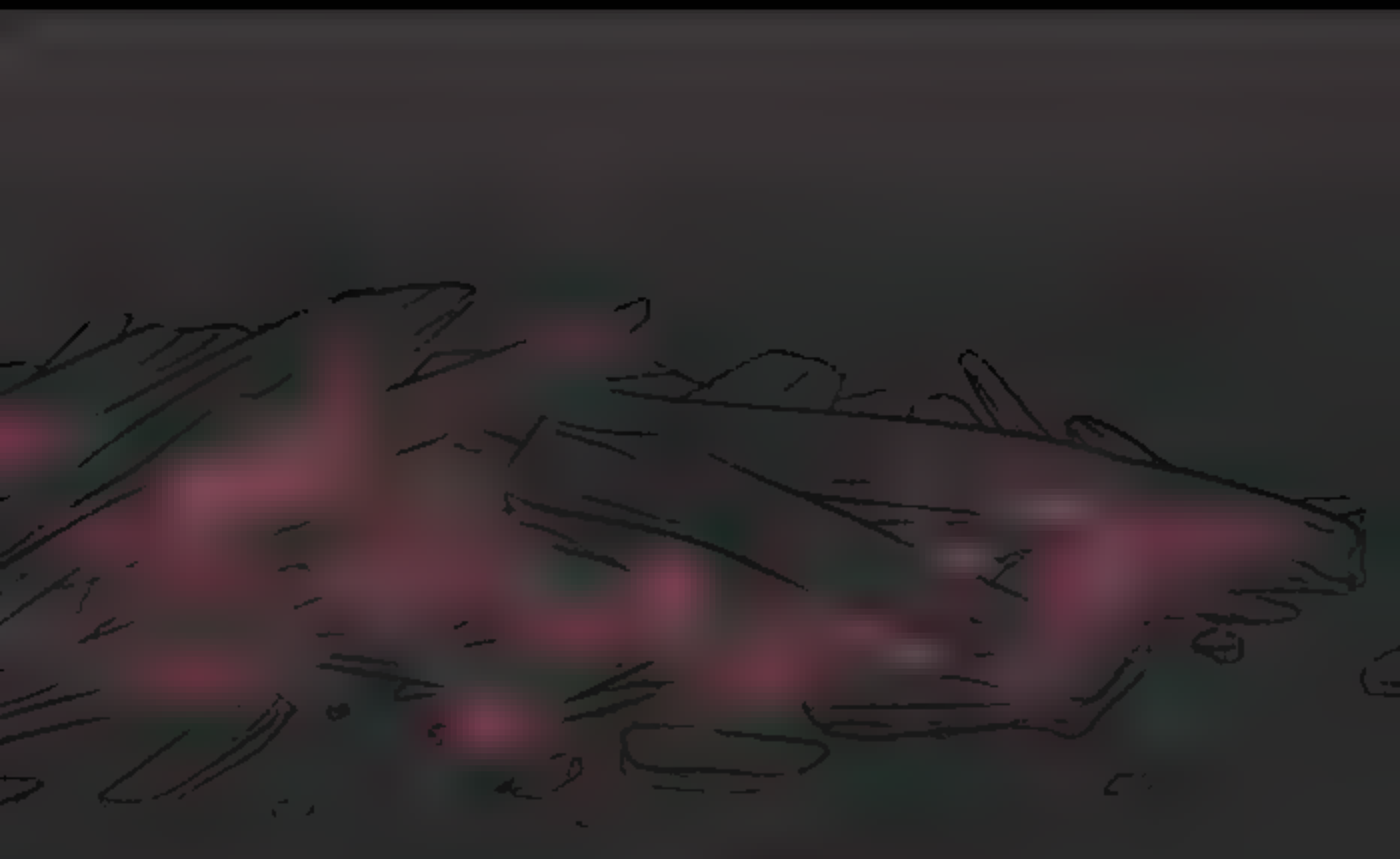
BUT THE LINE OF PEOPLE WANTING
ME STRETCHES ON ENDLESSLY.



I'VE LONG RUN OUT OF
PAINKILLERS AND ANESTHETIC.

AFTER JOINING THE SUPERHEROES AND PARTICIPATING IN A FEW OPERATIONS

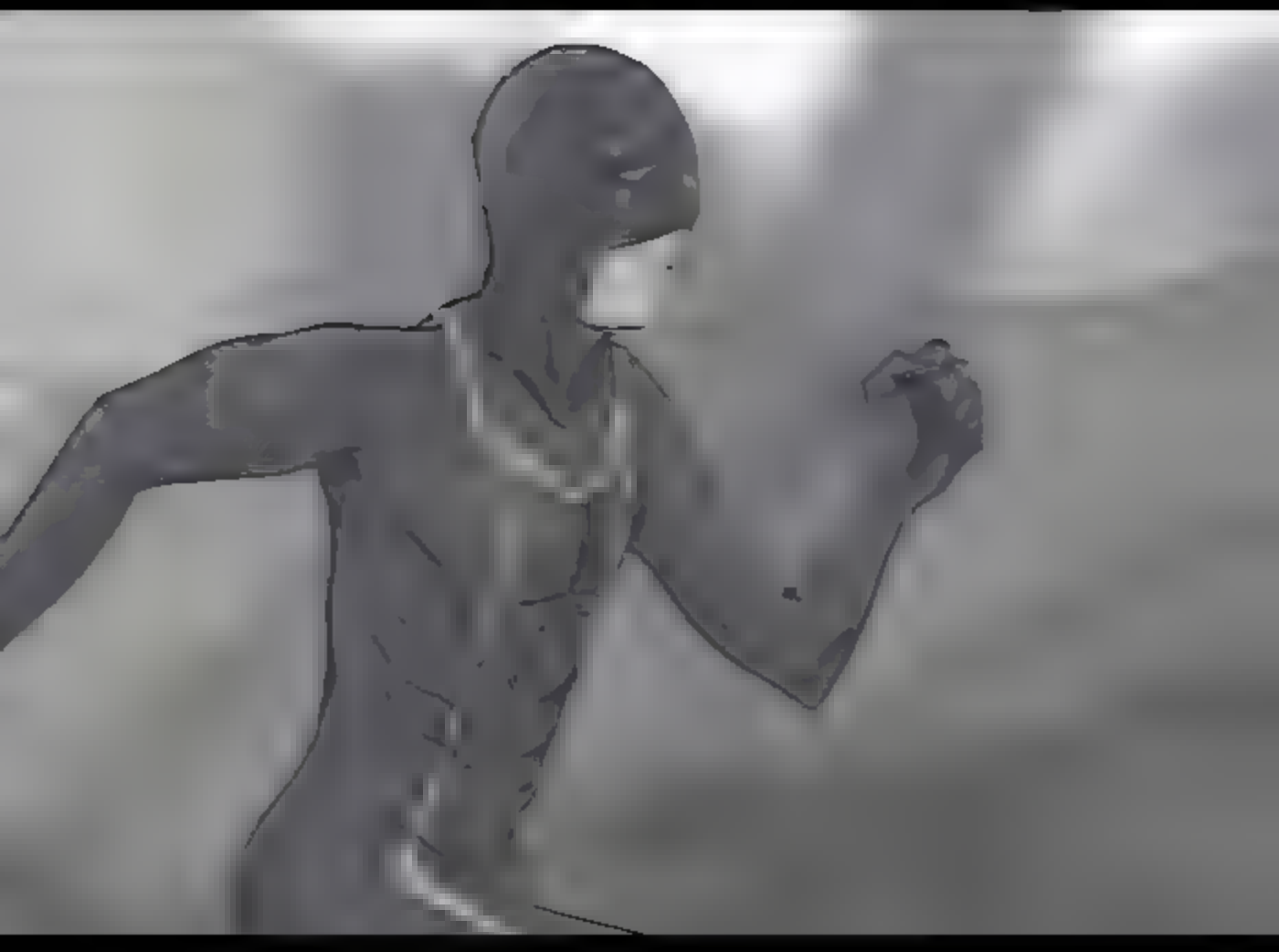
I REALIZED THAT I'VE GOT NO TALENT FOR FIGHTING.



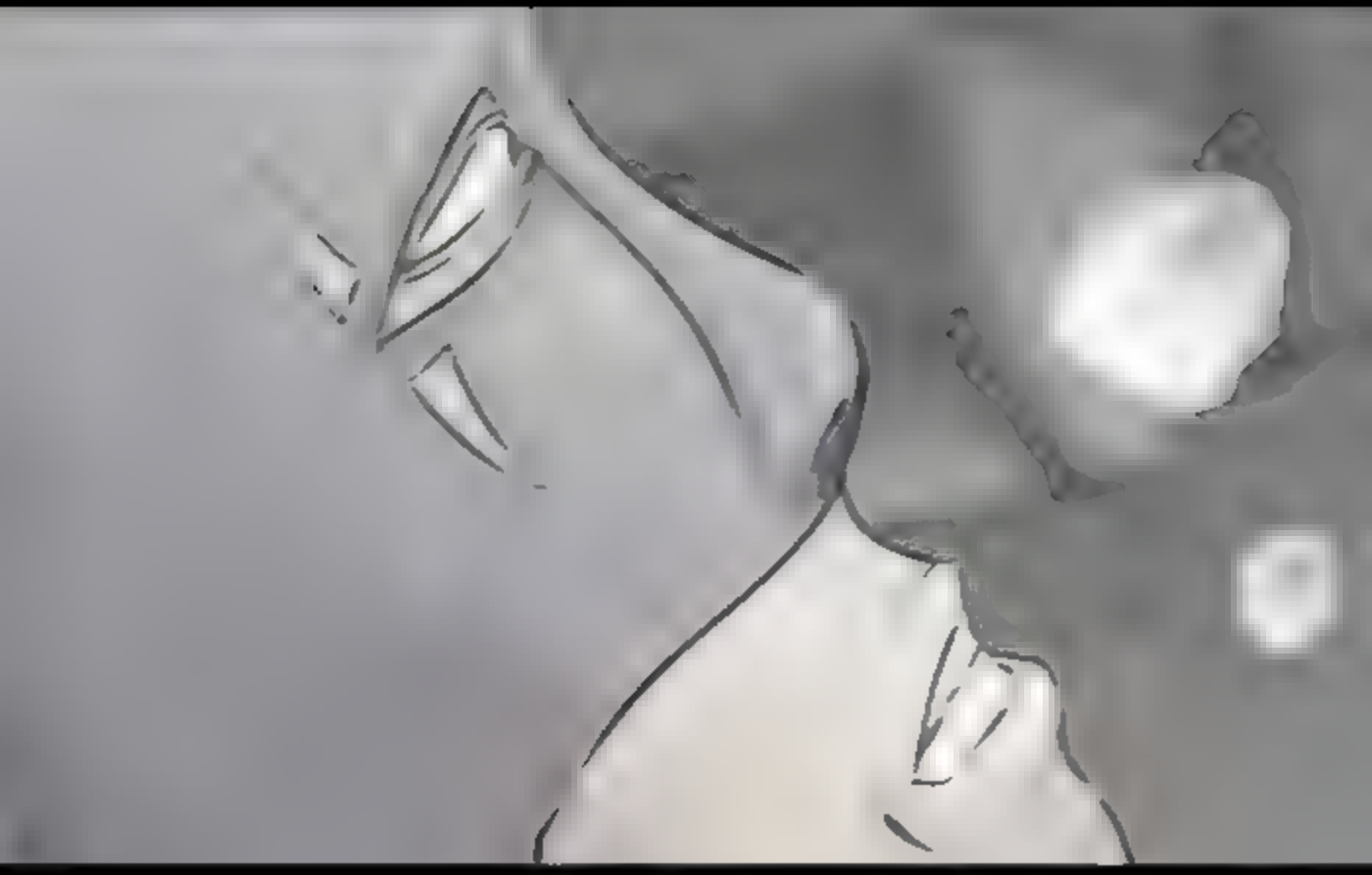
IT WAS A CHANCE TO SAVE NOT JUST ONE PERSON

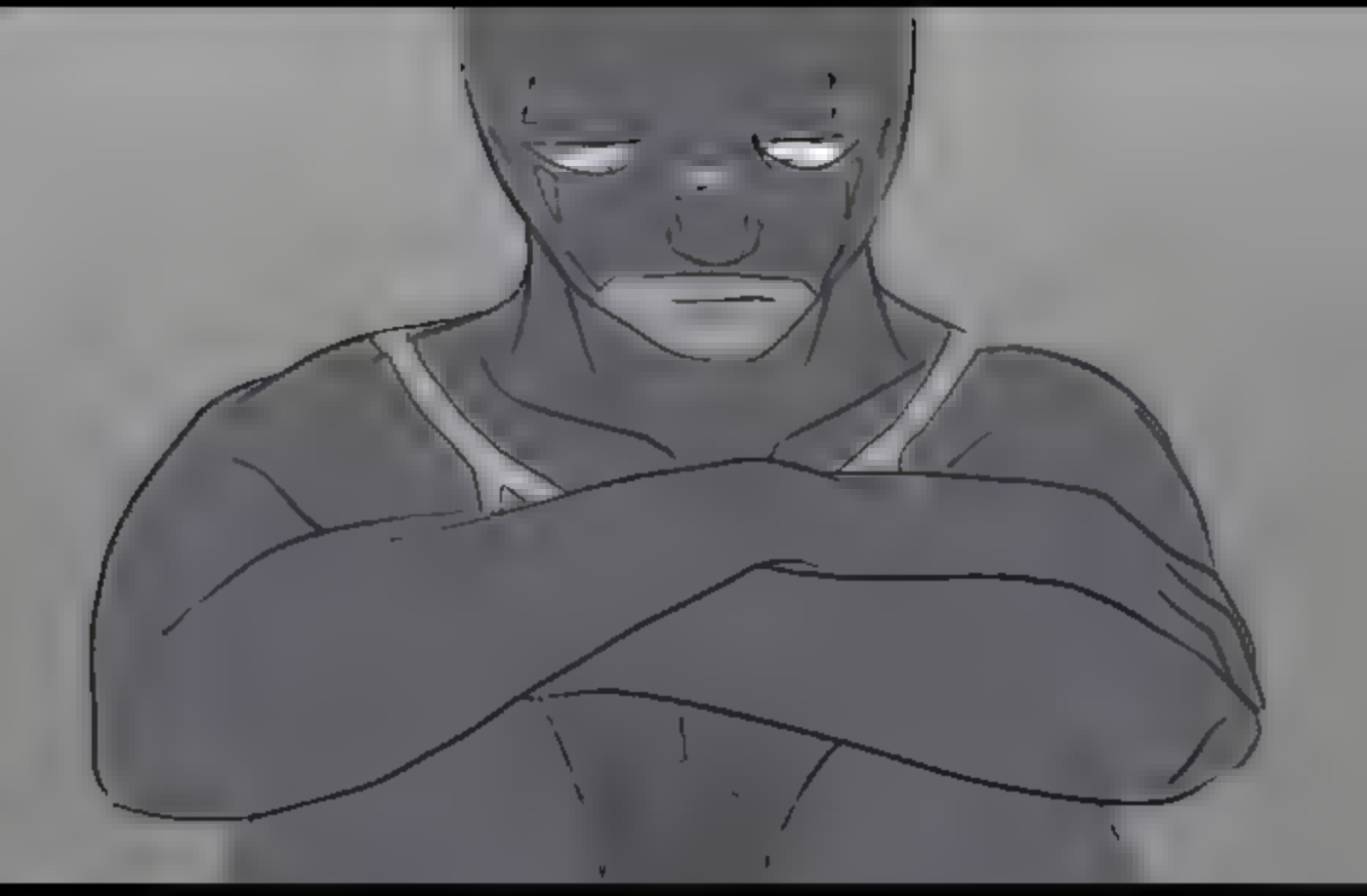
BUT THOUSANDS, TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE...

THE PATH TO BECOMING A TRUE SUPERHERO!



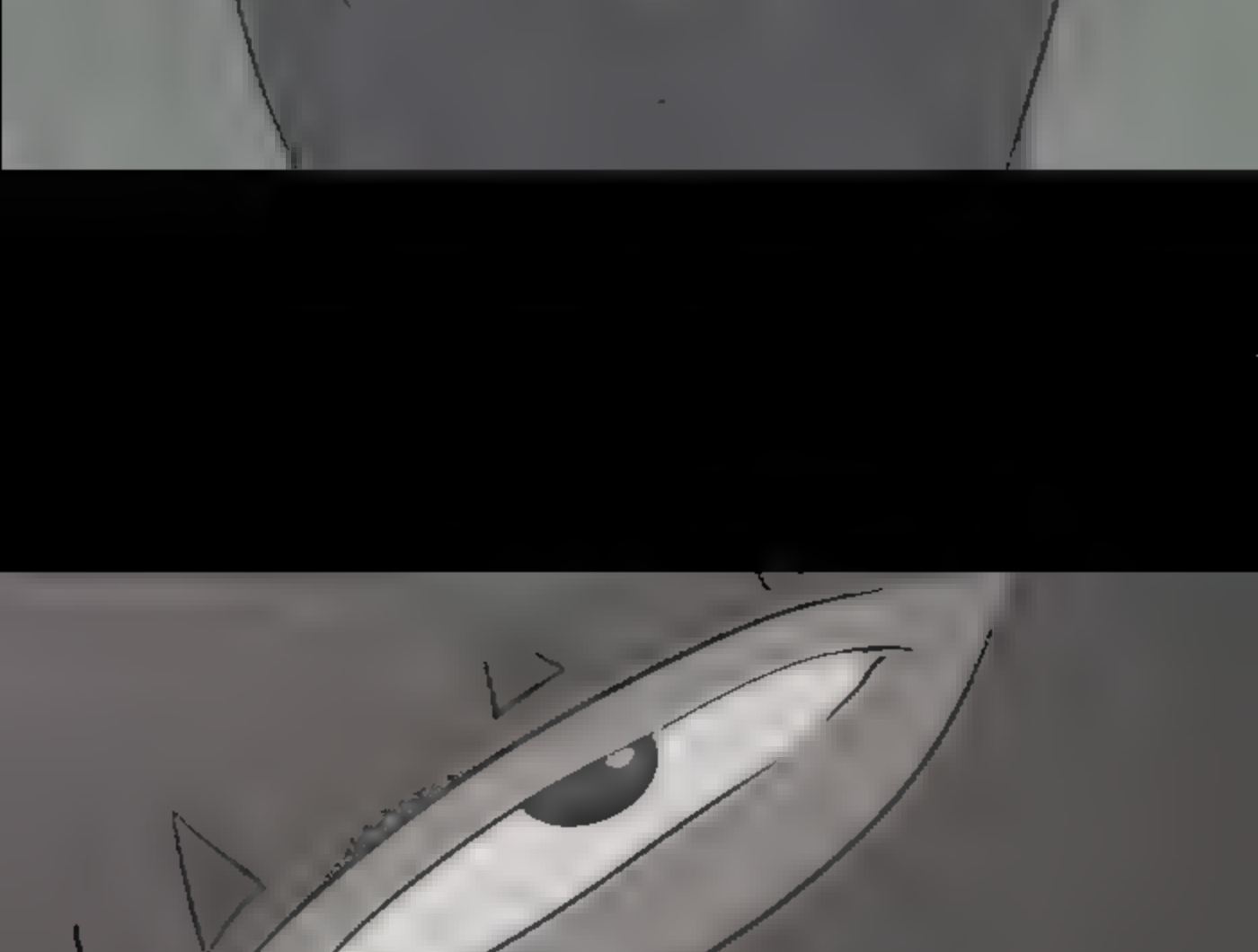
TO DEAL WITH DESERTERS
WHO'VE LOST THE WILL TO FIGHT

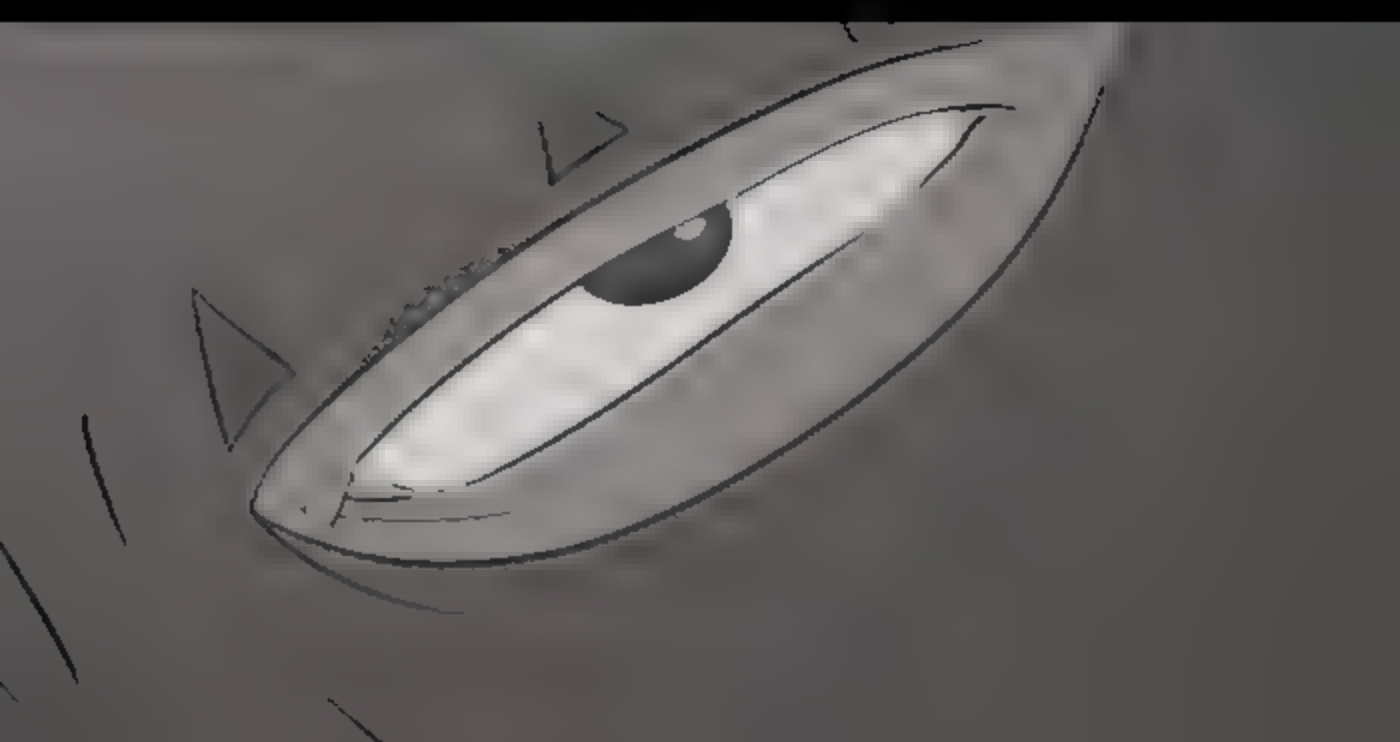




BUT...

THERE IS ONE WAY... FOR ME TO SAVE PEOPLE...

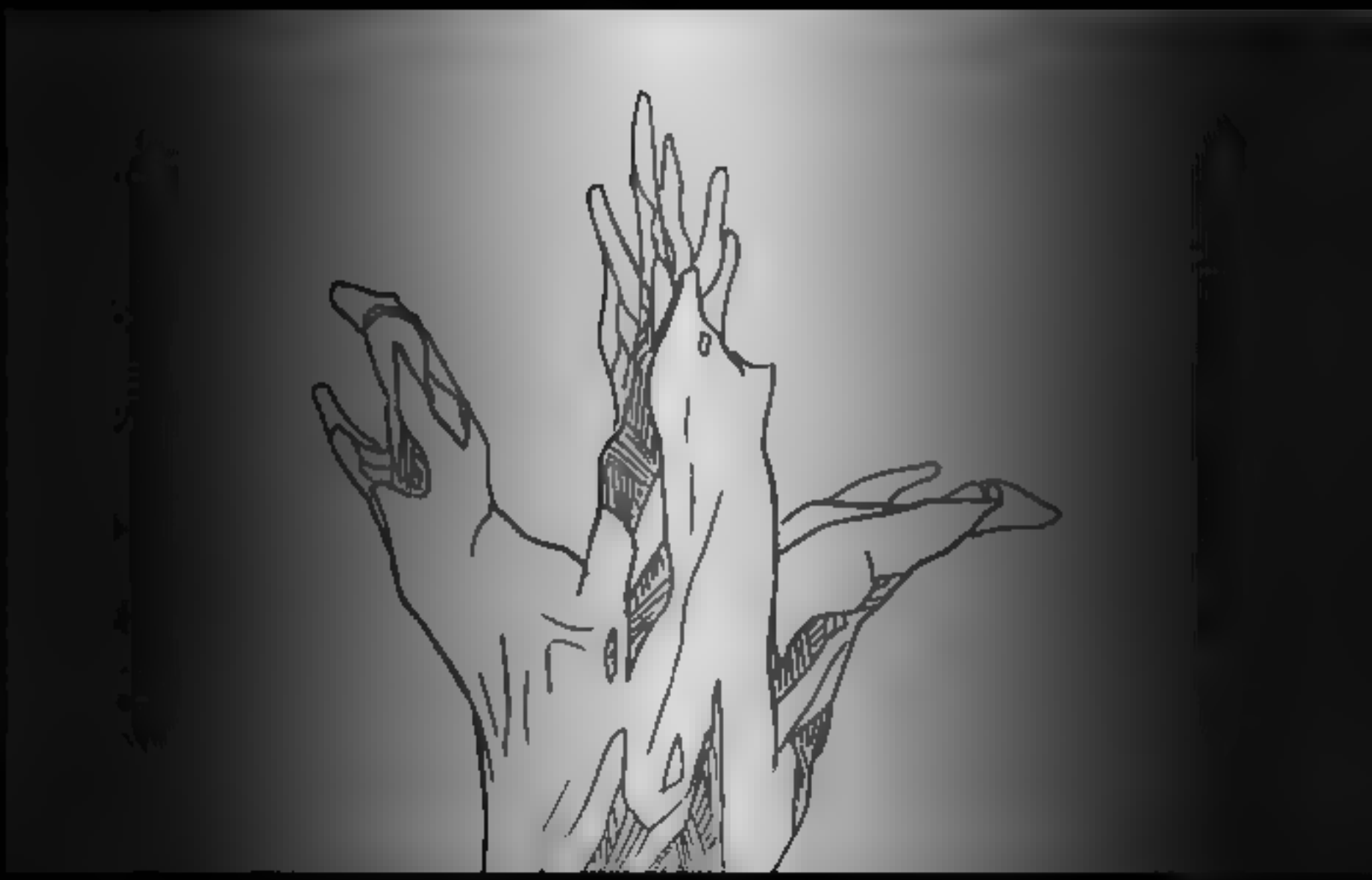




UH... WELL...
ONE OF THEM....

BUT AT SOME POINT,
I GOT SO CARRIED AWAY BY BEING A HERO

THAT I ALMOST THOUGHT OF MYSELF
AS THE STAR IN AN ACTION MOVIE

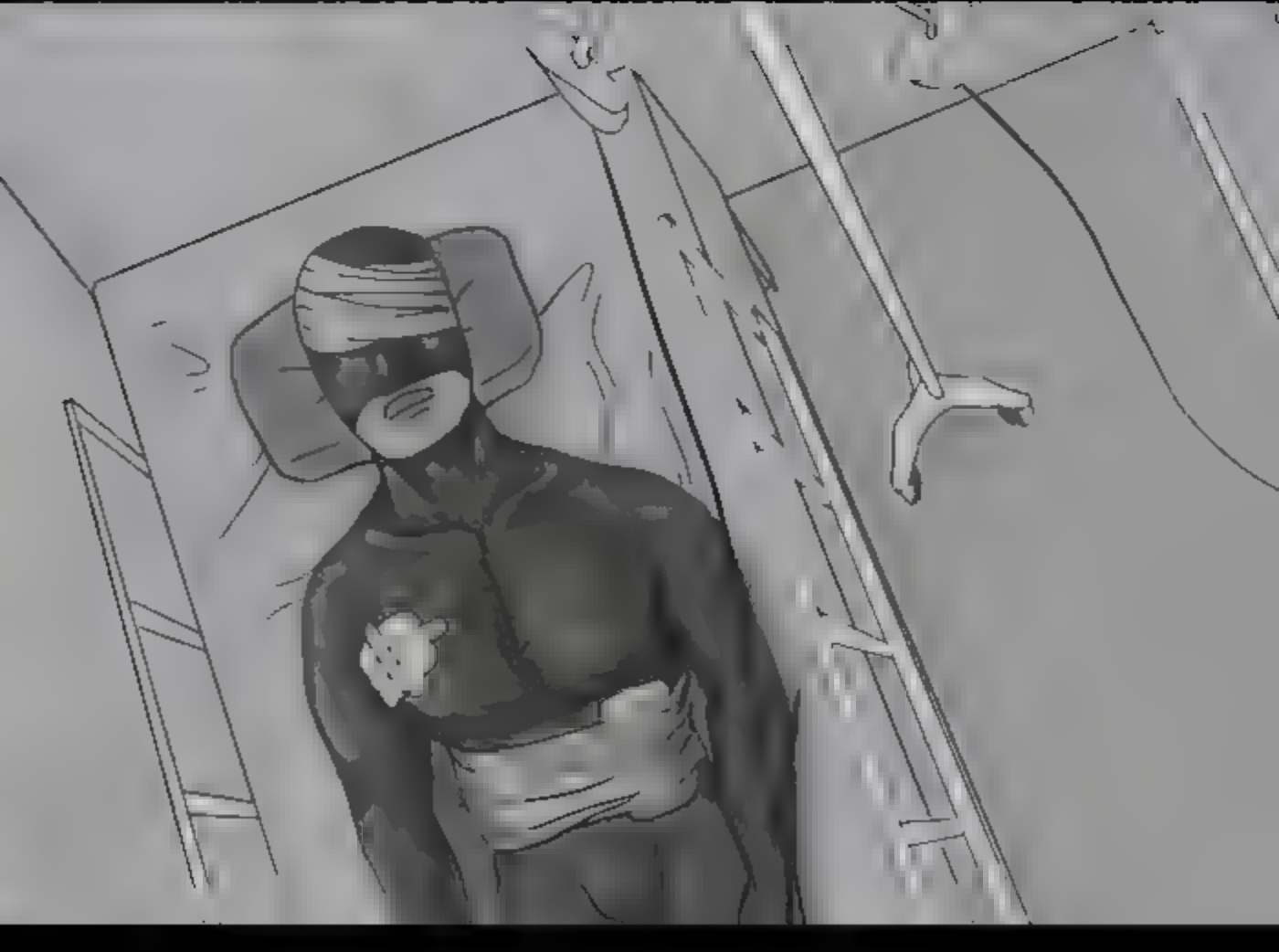


AND PARTICIPATED...
OR RATHER, WATCHED BATTLES GO ON.

JIIIIING-

THE WAR DRAGGED
ON ENDLESSLY AND TEDIOUSLY.

AS THE BATTLE GOT LONGER,
THE SUPERHERO ALLIANCE SUFFERED MORE
AND MORE DAMAGE.



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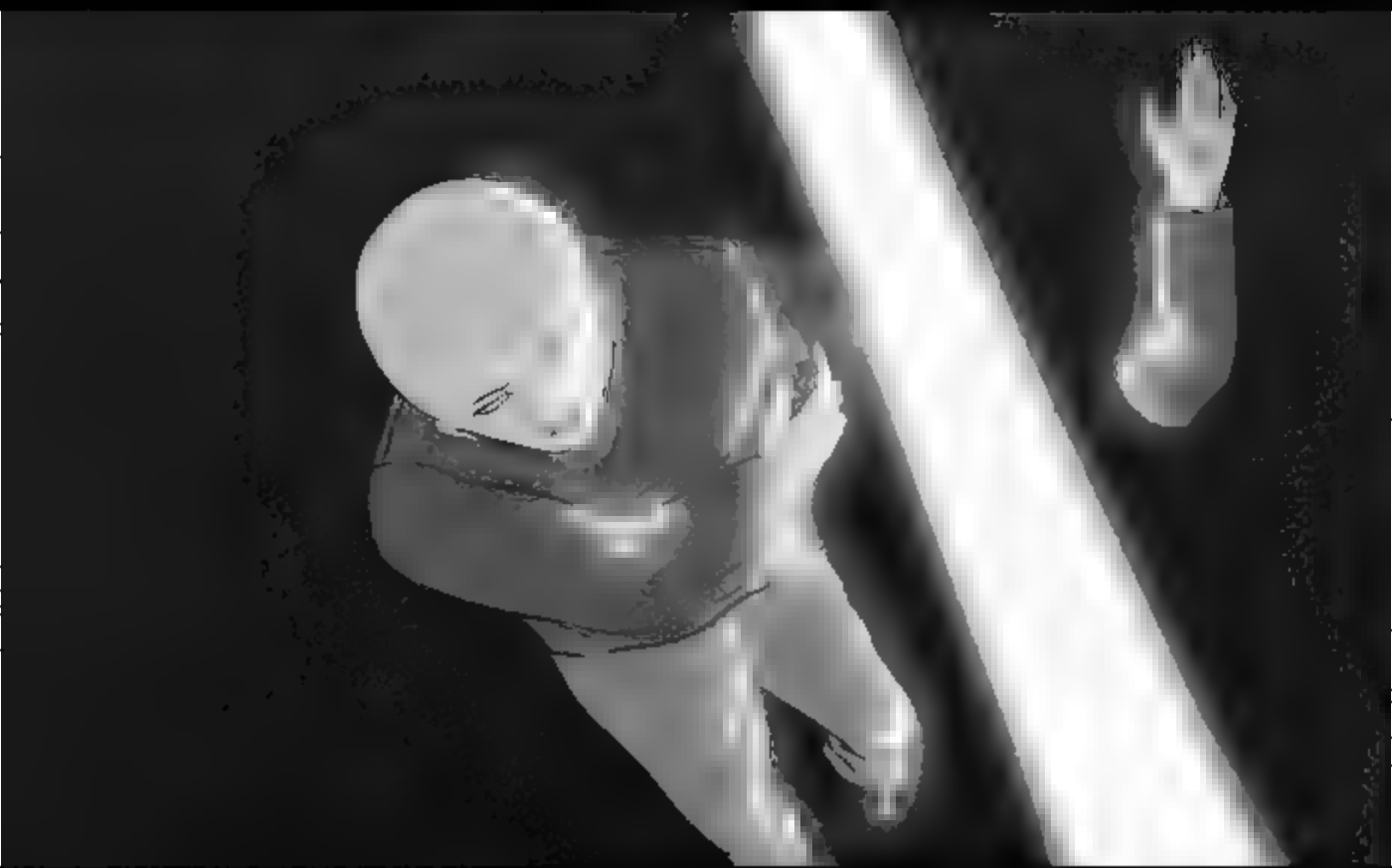


EVEN IN BATTLE,
WHEN DEATH CAN COME AT ANY INSTANT,

MY ABILITY ACTUALLY SEEMS
TO DULL MY ATTENTION.

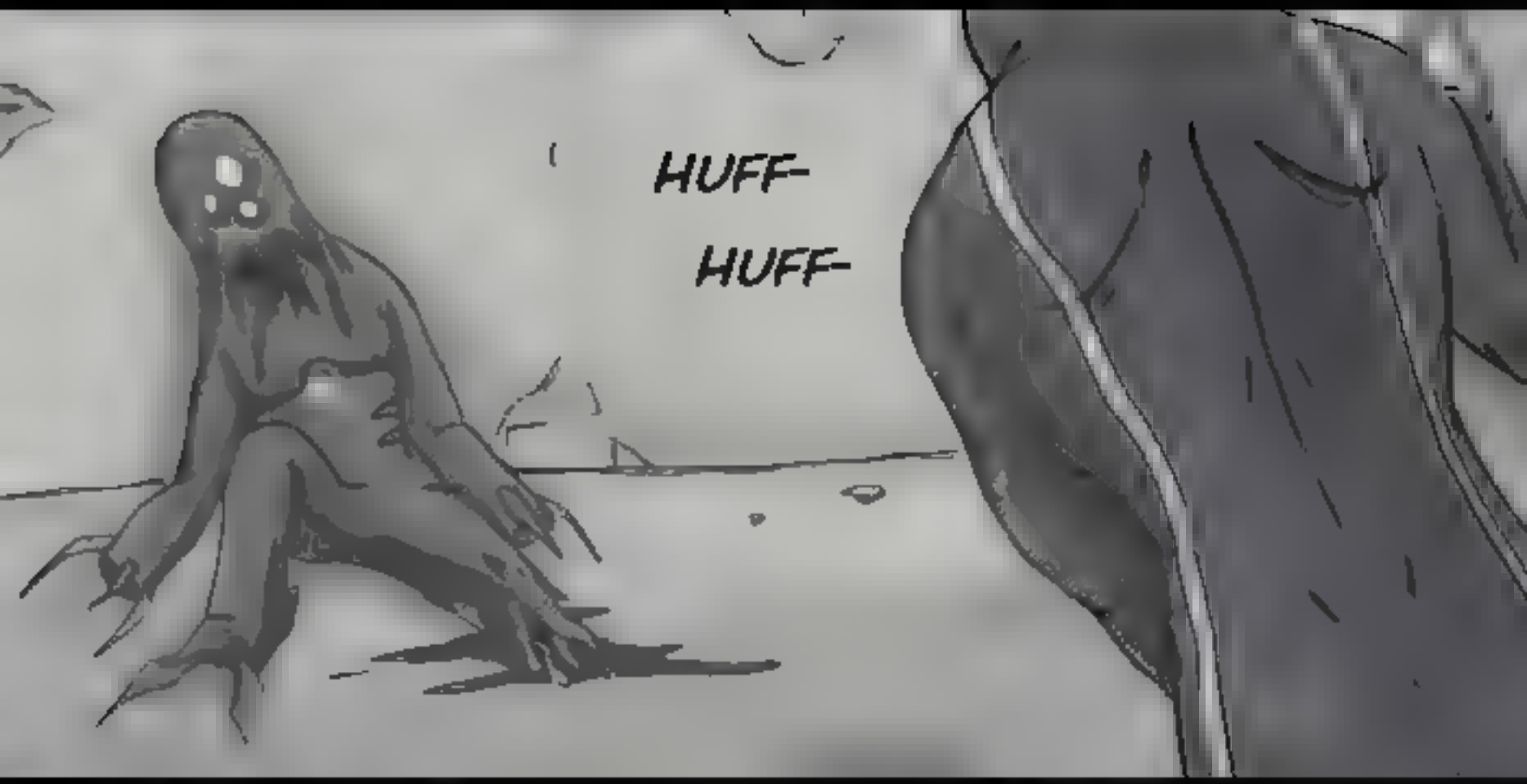
DO YOU REALLY WANT TO BE A HERO THAT BADLY?

THINK
THAT'LL WORK?
THIS SUIT IS MADE
FROM YOUR
OWN SKIN...

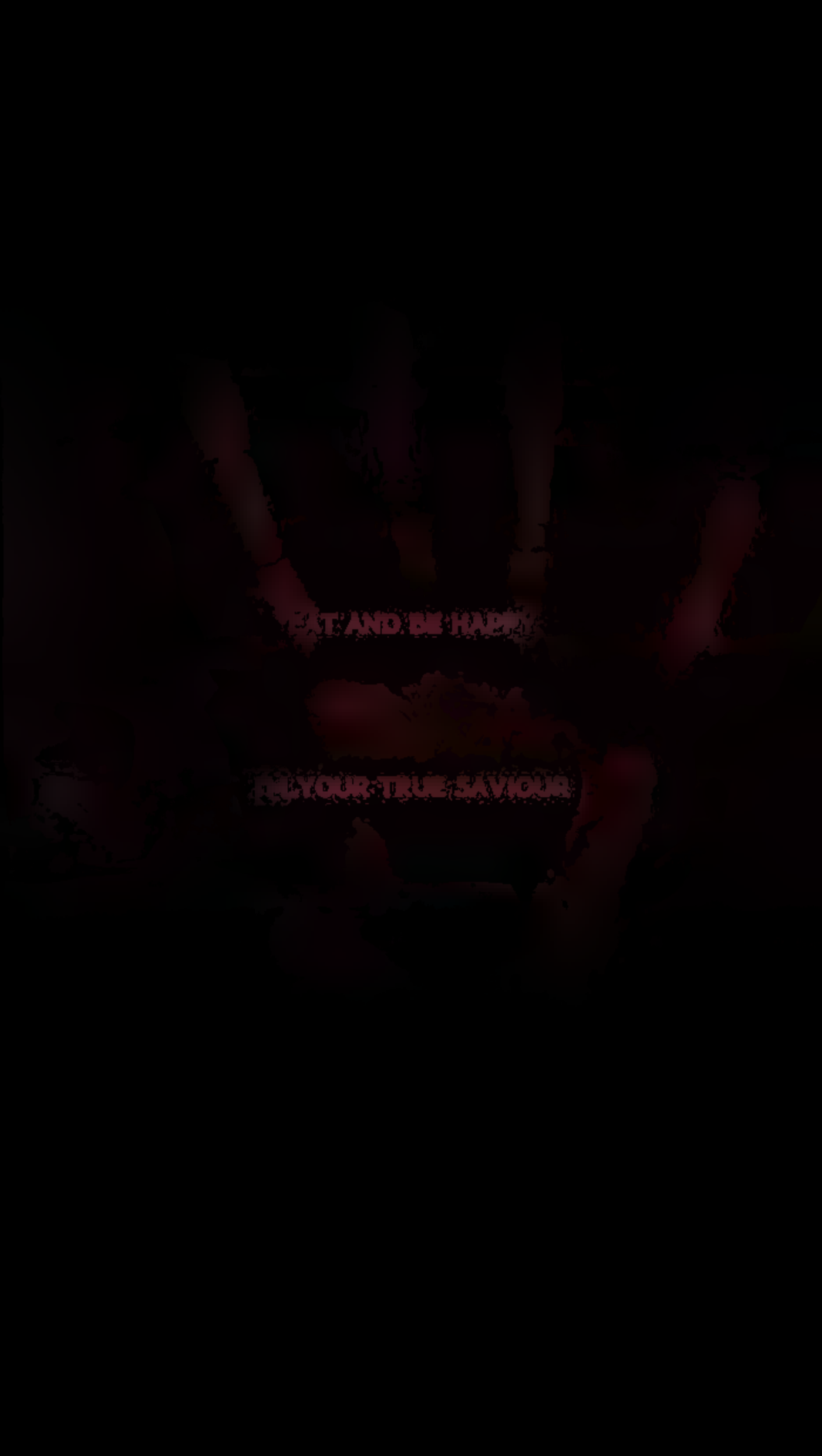
IS TO CREMATE THEM.

SINCE I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER ABILITIES ASIDE FROM REGENERATION

THIS WAS THE ONLY DUTY I COULD CARRY OUT.



GOING BACK
TO LIVING LIKE JUST
AN ORDINARY CITIZEN,
LIKE THEM....

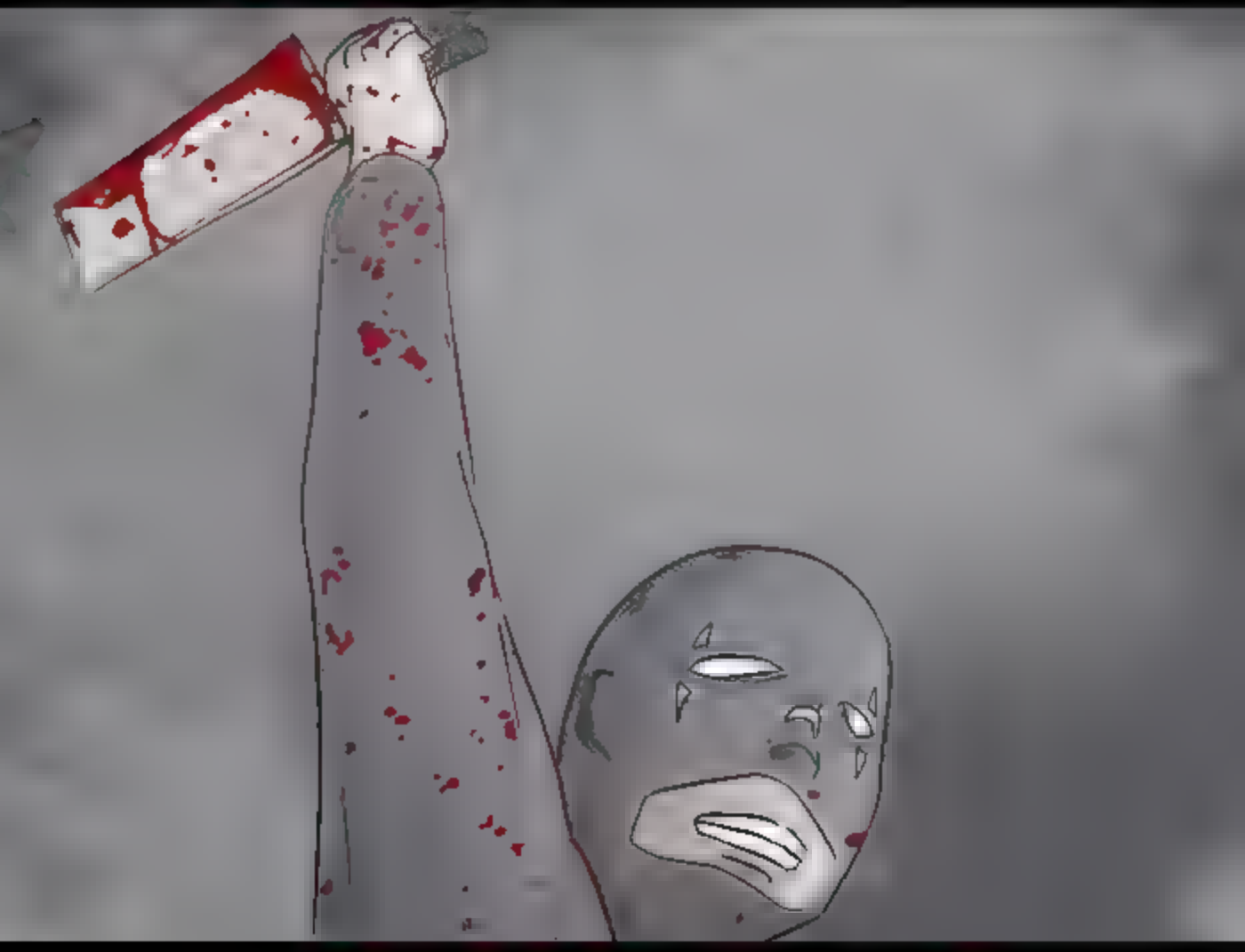

EAT AND BE HAPPY
I'LL YOUR TRUE SAVIOUR

BUT IN MOST CASES, THESE NEW RECRUITS WEREN'T IMMEDIATELY READY FOR BATTLE.

HE SAID IT WAS
A PROPOSAL FROM HEADQUARTERS.

THE SQUAD COMMANDER SAID
HE TRIED TO HIDE IT FOR MY SAKE

BUT FOR ME, IT WAS LIKE HEARING
THAT I HAD BEEN SAVED.



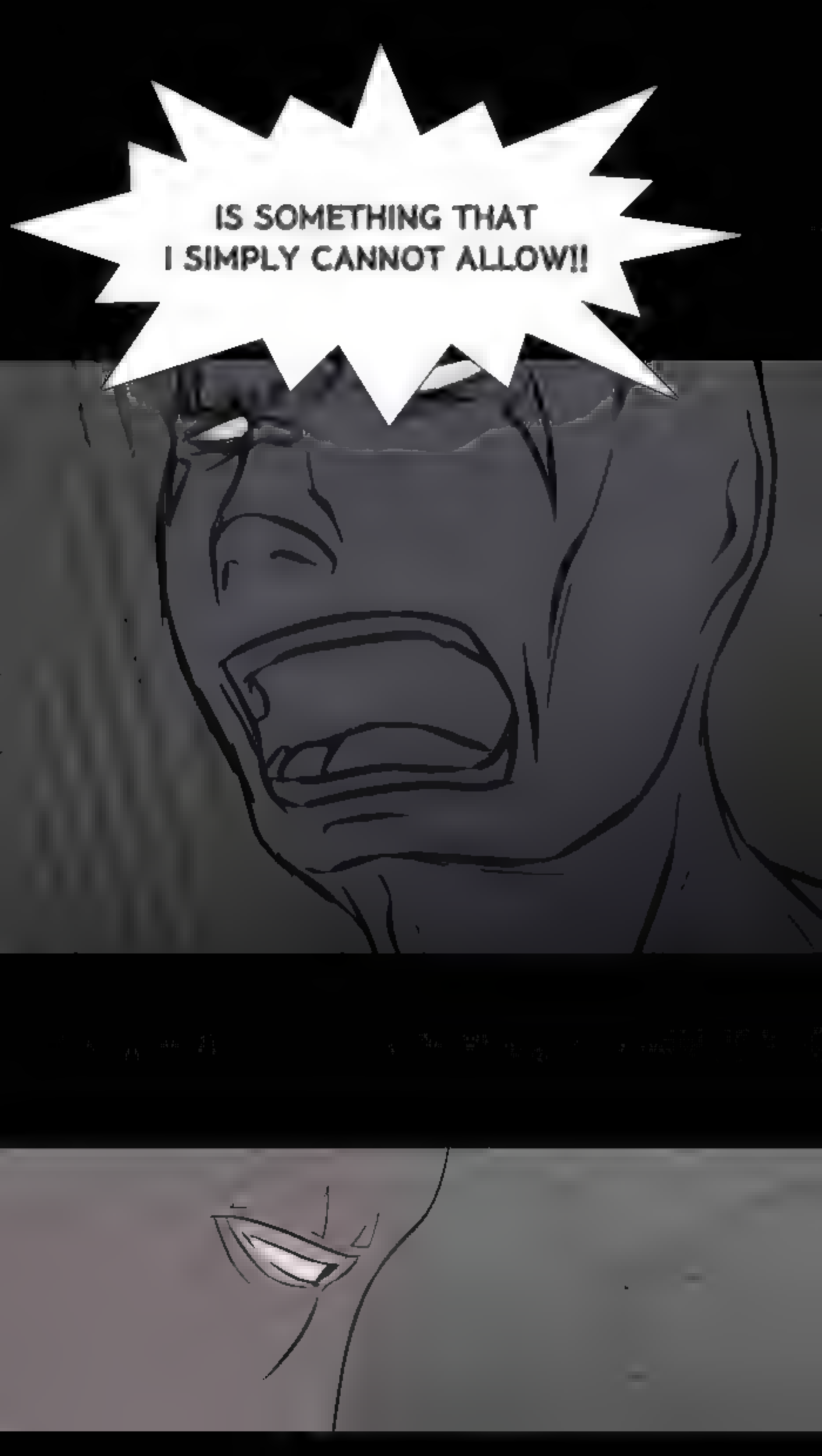
THE ONE WHO WILL SAVE YOU ALL

A SUPERHERO!!!

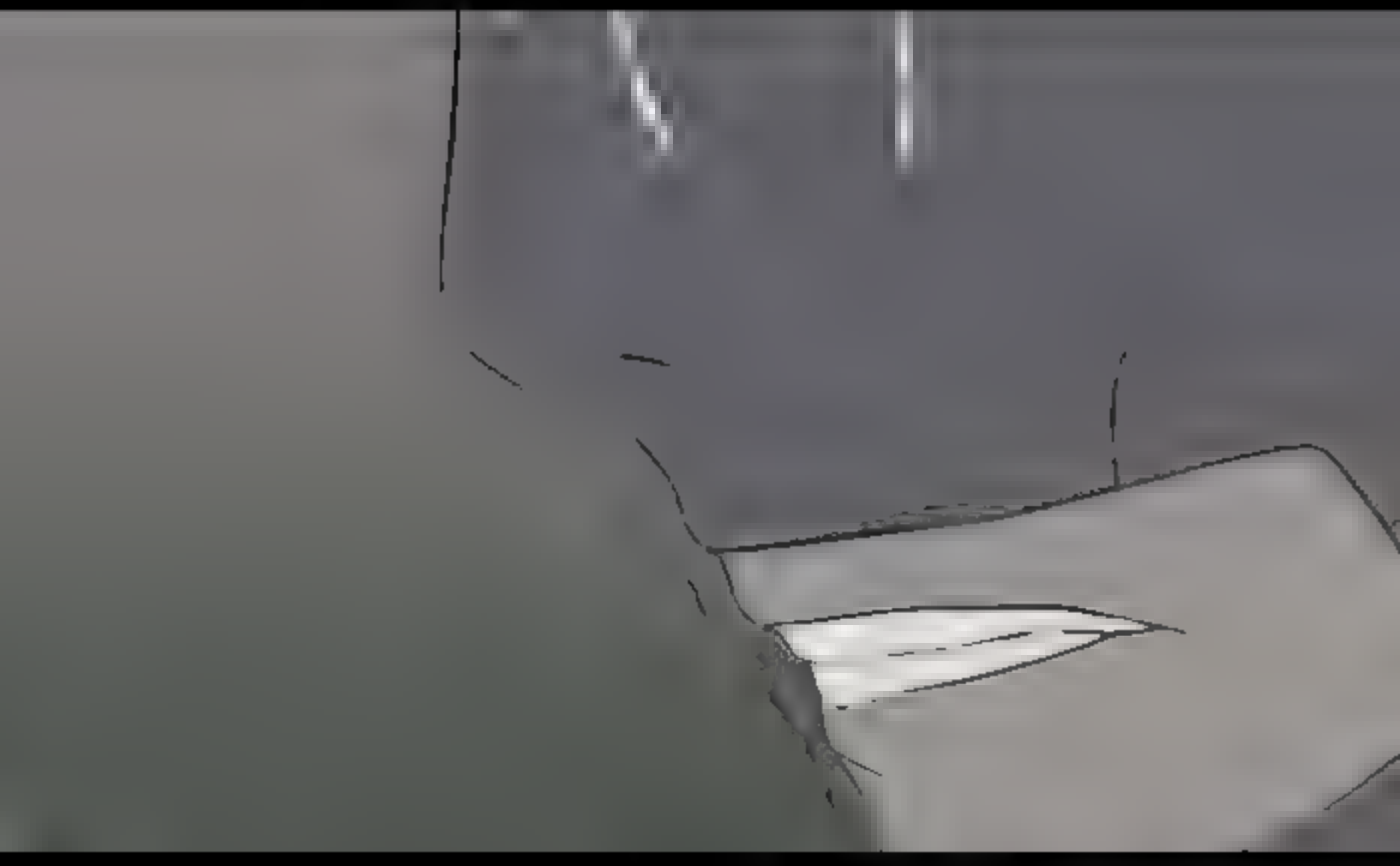
YES SIR!!!

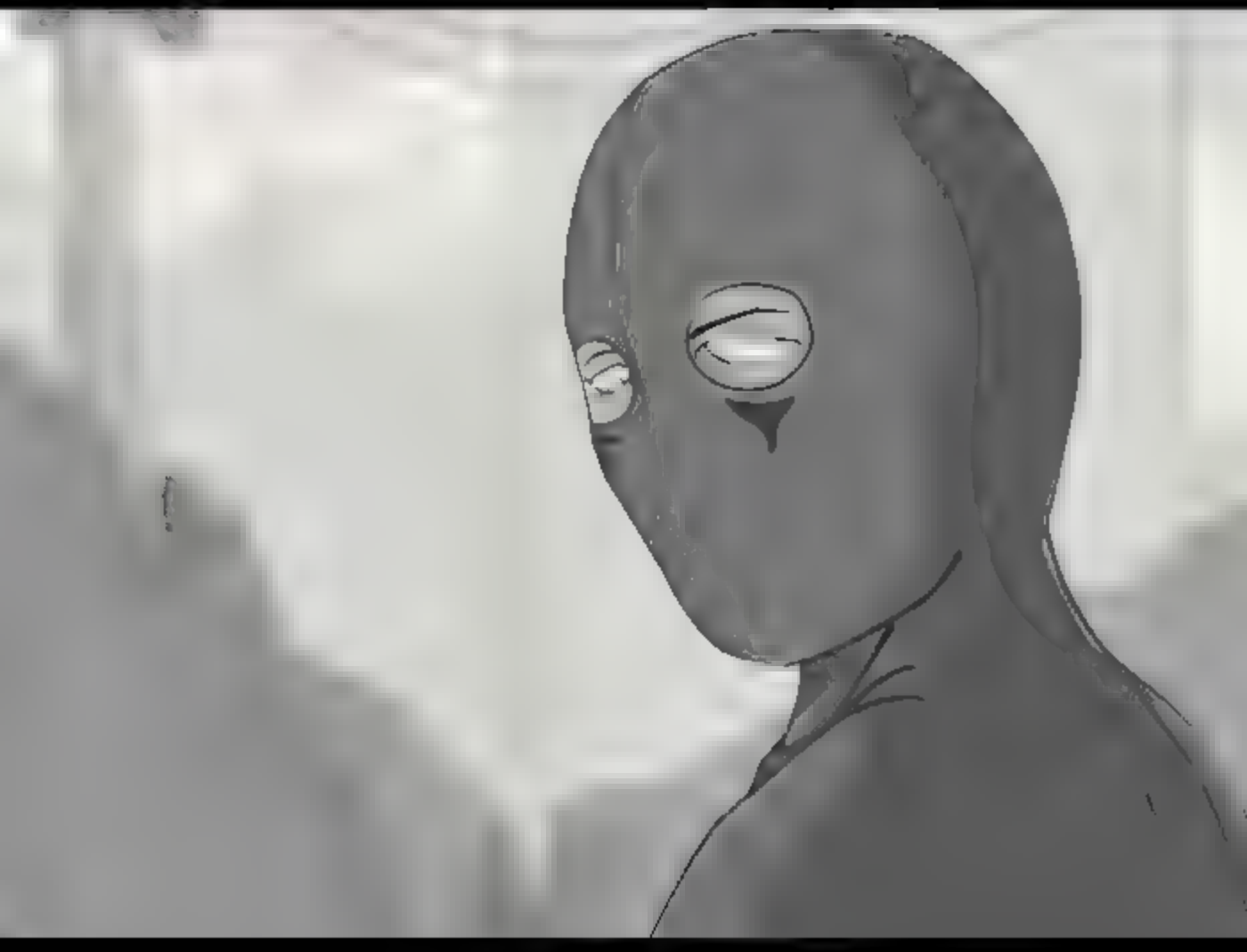
MY DUTY IS MAINLY

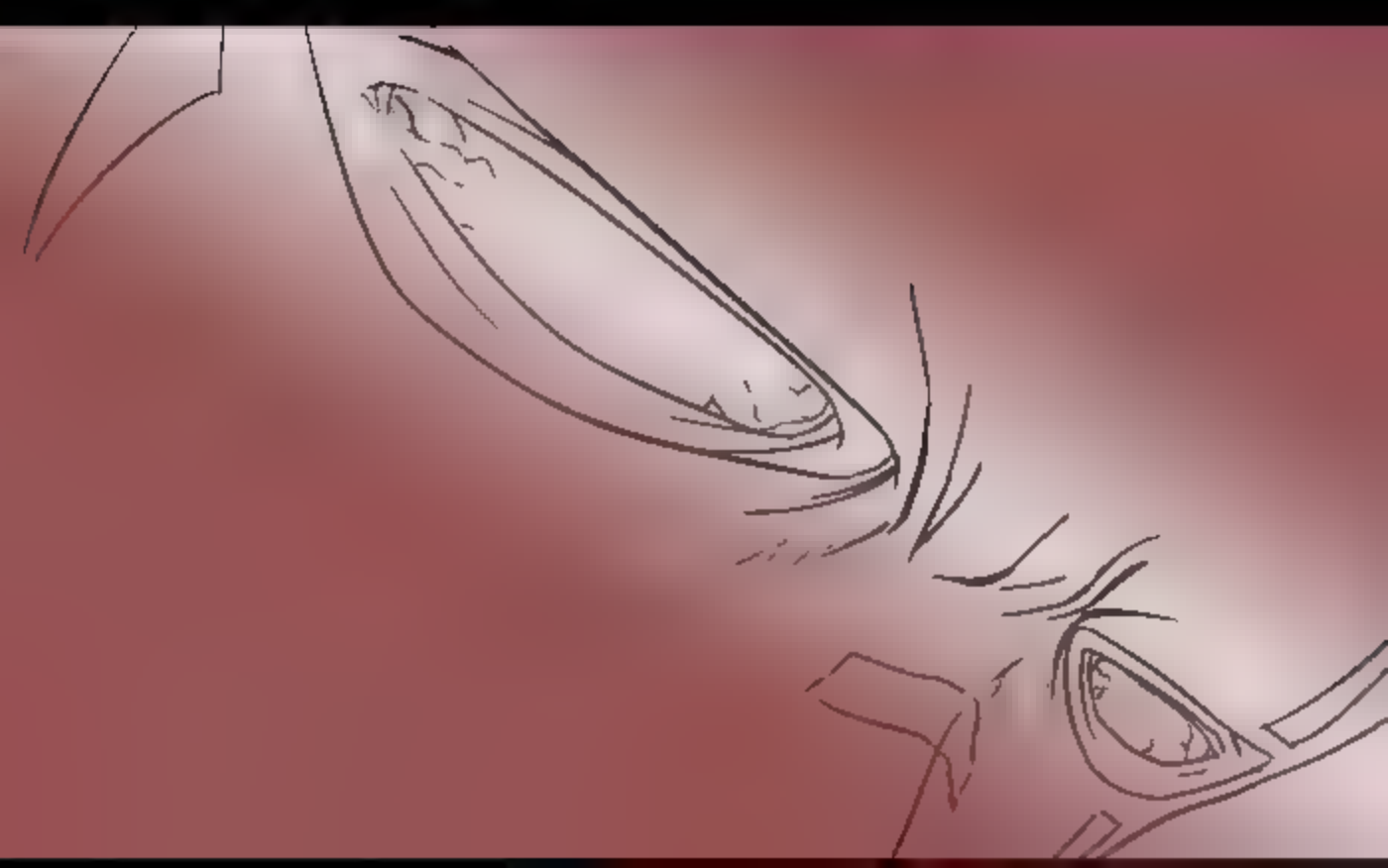
IN SPITE OF BEING IN THE MIDDLE OF A BATTLE, YOU LET YOUR GUARD DOWN!


IS SOMETHING THAT
I SIMPLY CANNOT ALLOW!!

ONE OF THEM?

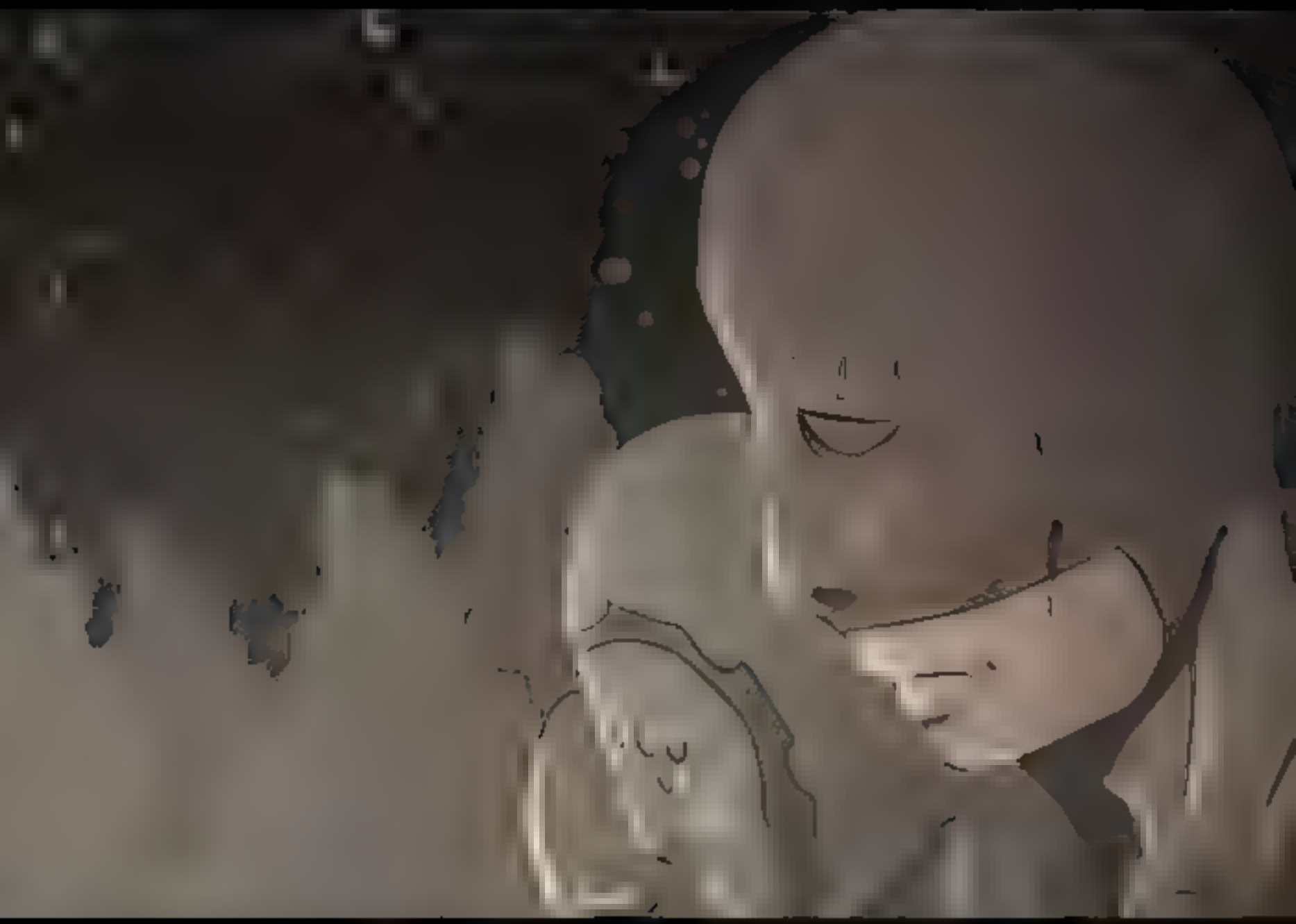






IT'S COMPLETELY
CREMATED AND BURIED DEEP
WITHIN THE GROUND.
IN LIFE, HEROES ARE LIVING SAVIOURS,

IN ORDER TO KEEP THEIR BODY
FROM BEING STOLEN BY THE ENEMY

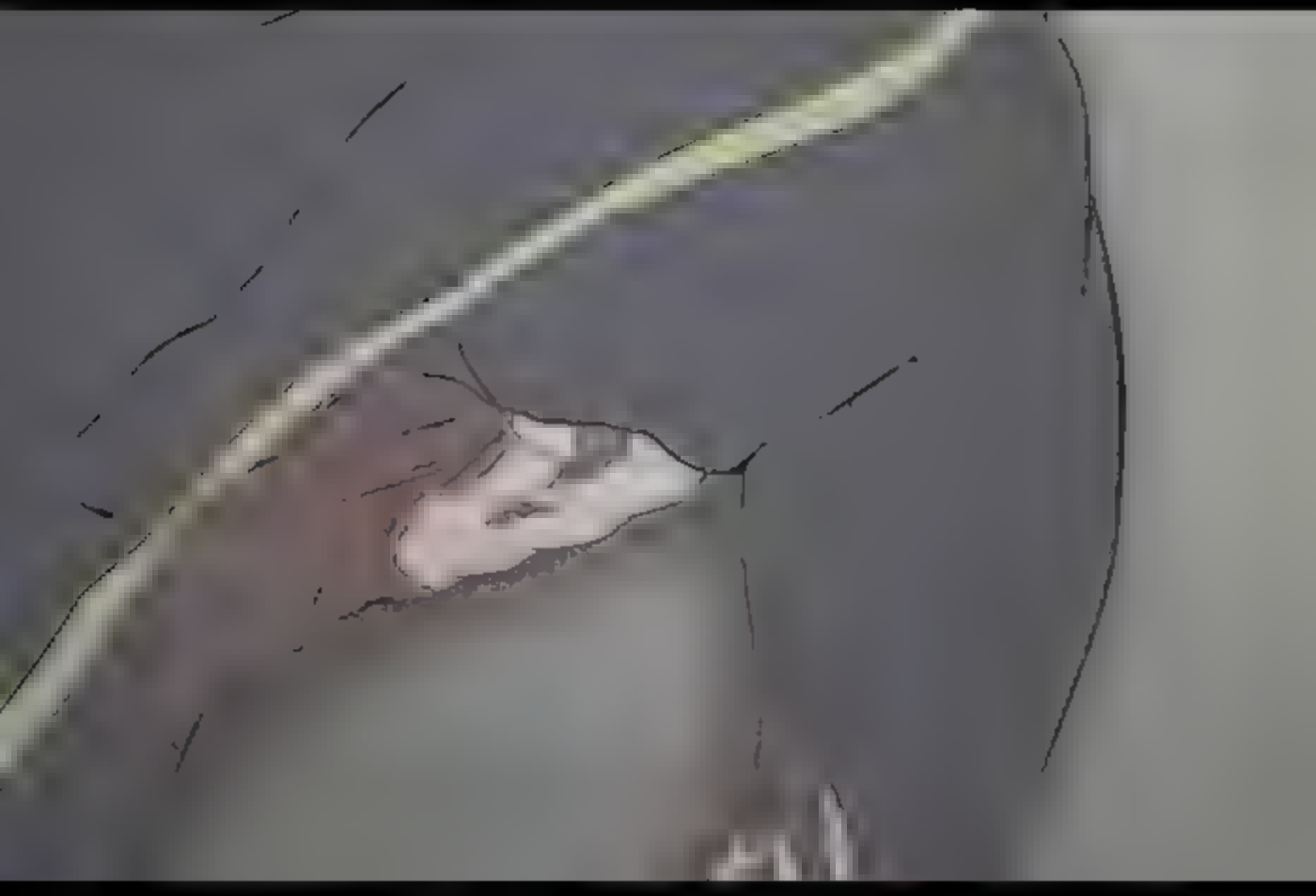


WHEW-

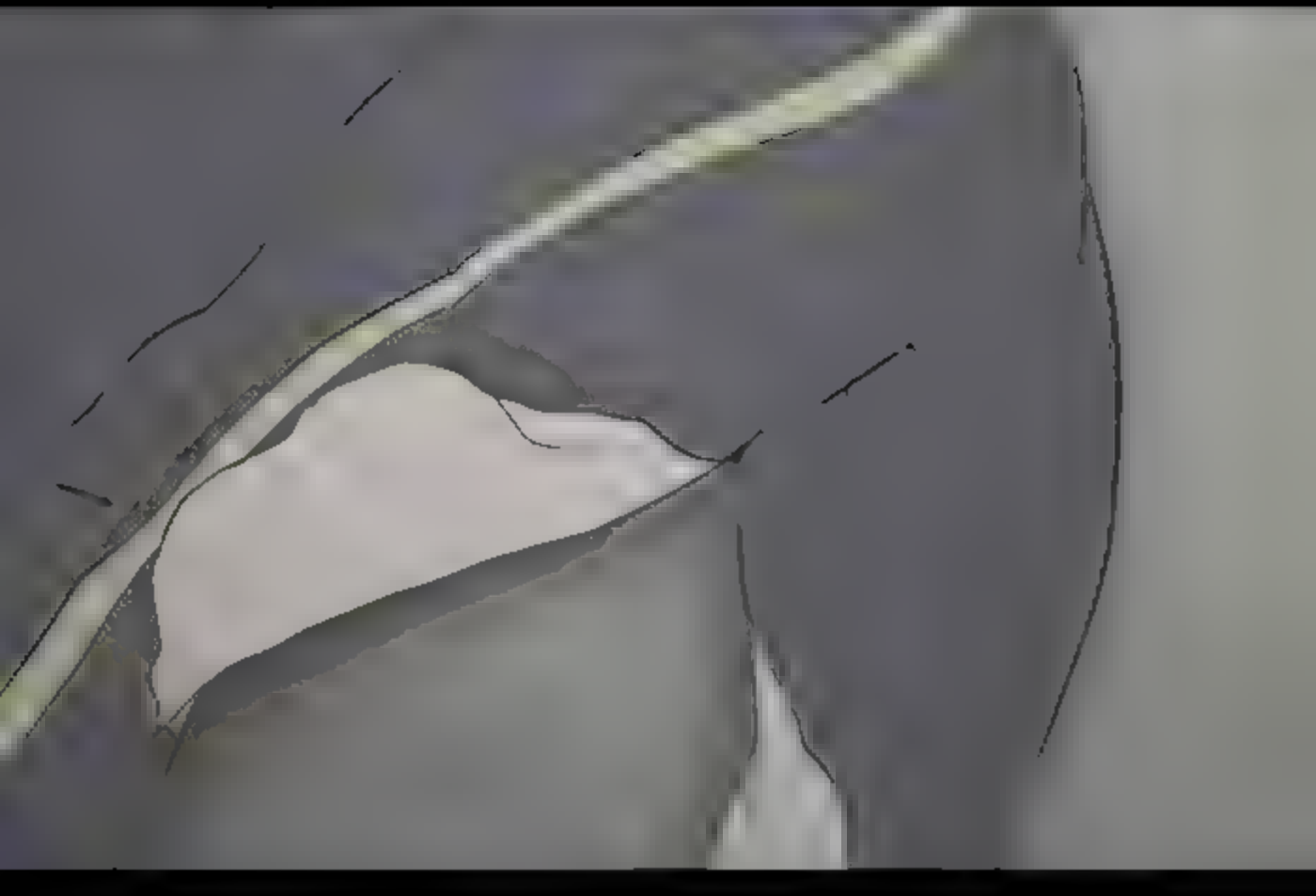
THE REASON WHY I KEPT FIGHTING IN SPITE OF THIS

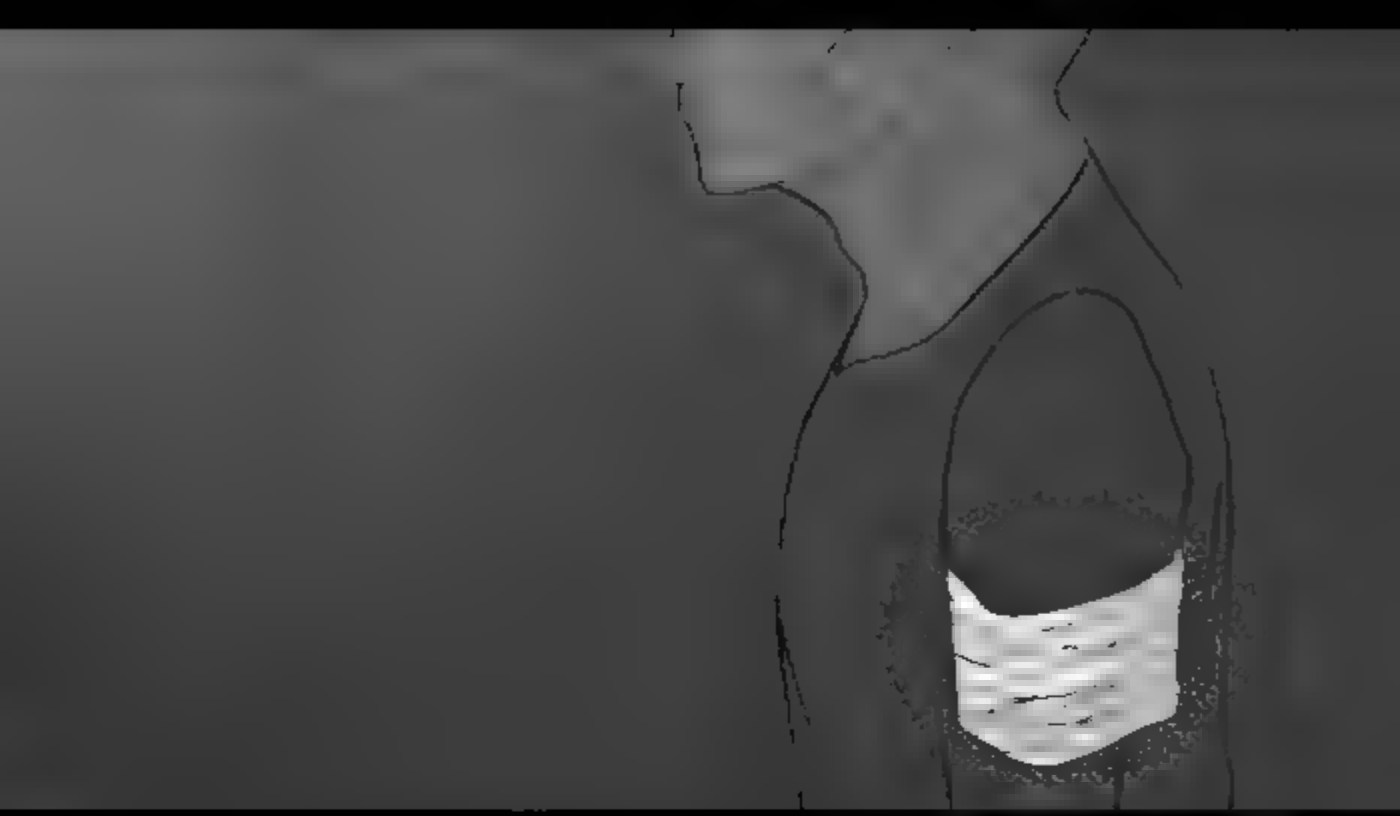
I'M SORRY.....

ONLY MADE LIFE HARDER
FOR MYSELF, AND FOR THEM, MY IDOLS.
SO, DID YOU THINK ABOUT IT?



WAS BECAUSE OF
MY INSISTENCE ON LIVING AS A HERO.





FOR HEROES WHO COULD LOSE THEIR ABILITY TO FIGHT BY SIMPLY LOSING A LIMB,

THEY HAVE TO MAINTAIN THEIR FOCUS UNTIL THE VERY LAST SECOND OF BATTLE

I FOUND YOU, YOU LITTLE BASTARD...
BIIIING

SCHWOONG-

MAYBE

I WAS NOTHING MORE
THAN A MUTANT.

THE ONLY WAY TO SEND OFF A DEAD HERO

NEW SUPERHEROES
WERE RECRUITED HERE AND THERE,